

The Quest Academy Parents forum Minutes of meeting 30th March 2022

1. Welcome and introductions:

Members of the Senior Leadership team introduced themselves:

Tom Beecham - Vice Principal

Jackie Devereux - Assistant Principal

Charlie O'Sullivan - Pastoral Director

Audrey Watson – Team Leader of Design and Technology

Alisdair Boundy - Achievement Co-ordinator for Year 10

2. Purpose of the Parents' Forum

It was agreed that:

- The Parents forum would suggest items on areas of the school for brief presentations at the beginning of each meeting
- The Parents Forum would be an opportunity for parents to meet and generate a genuine parent community which supported the school and its pupils
- The Parents forum would drive social and fundraising events for the school

3. Parent suggestions:

The following requests for future meetings were put forward:

 A presentation on the school's strategy for catching up students after the pandemic

- A presentation on how to help your child at home
- A family learning event for parents on specific subjects that could help parents to know more about what is taught and how to help
- Pastoral presentations: On safety vaping/knife crime/violence
- The role of the Safer Schools' Officer

4. Parents suggested the following:

After school clubs and activities - Parents might be able to assist with this

Trips – Parents might also be able to assist with staffing for more trips

Parent communication:

Our new system Talaxy is being rolled out this year and will increase parents' ability to access information.

5. Social events and fundraising

It was agreed that the parent's forum could come up with ideas to raise money for the school as a body. Two parents: Kay Bunsell and Christy Lowal have offered to collate communication and ideas for the Forum.

The email address for parents to send ideas for the Parents Forum has been set up:

ParentForum@theguestacademy.org.uk

AOB:

• The next Parents' Forum meeting will be on the 14th July 2022