Student Voice Minutes – 21st September 2023 - Curriculum-related sections only

Student Voice Meeting
Wednesday 27th September 2023
In Room V20

Attendance
Elodie Bennie– Chair
Sithuli Pirunagama – Secretary
Miss Harrison - Present
Mrs Maslin - Absent
Mrs Mulgrew -Absent
Mr Selby - Absent

	A	C	F	G	H	S
Year 7	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present
Year 8		Present	Present	Present	Present	Present
Year 9	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present
Year 10	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present
Year 11		Present			Present	Present

SLT Matters
Change @ CCHS
Teaching and Learning

Seating Plan

- 10F have requested for there to be termly seating plan changes.
  - The representative for 10F; expanded on how most of the seating plans are done in an alphabetical order; therefore for a majority of subjects students are said next to other people.
    - Elodie agreed with this and suggested that this point be raised with the teachers as well.

Replacement of Materials

Laptops and Computers

- Further requests have been made for better laptops and computers.
  - Both Elodie, Sithuli and the Representatives agreed that the laptops/computers should be regularly checked and replaced. Elodie suggested a system whereby if a laptop is faulty it should be written down; and then replaced.
  - Another student brought up the issue of there being faulty keys on chromebooks.

- 8A have asked whether it is possible to spend more money on art supplies for the art department.
  - Another representative stated that they found that the supplies in the Art Room were of high quality and worked perfectly; however, it was suggested that should there be any issues, it should be brought up to the Art Teachers as soon as possible.

Revision

Study Periods

- A suggestion was made for Study periods for GCSE students and for lesson PowerPoints to be accessible to students.
    - The student expanded on this by saying that they felt that some of the lessons dedicated to PE could be replaced with study periods.
    - Elodie agreed to mention this point to GCSE year leaders, however did note that lessons are necessary to cover the curriculum sufficiently in time for the exam, and having study periods would most likely lead to more homework being assigned.

Homework

- Students in older year's suggested that homework should be targeted towards revision towards periods of Exams.
    - Sithuli agreed that this would be brought up to the teacher's and stated that they would seek their advice on whether this would be possible.
- Students have also suggested that the amount of homework is monitored, as they feel that sometimes they are given overwhelming amounts of homework.

Lessons

- 10H have noted that they would like to have more interactive lessons during the week
    - Students have stated that it is extremely helpful when teachers give a sheet detailing the contents of the topic, they feel that this gives lessons more structure and helps significantly with revision.
        - Elodie agreed with this and stated that she would let SLT know so that it could perhaps be implemented, where possible, in other lessons.

Cover Work

- Students have also suggested that topics that are given as cover work be summarised during the next lesson.
    - A student stated that this was done particularly well by the History Department.
    - Elodie agreed with this point.

Homework

- 10S have noted that some teachers have given them overnight homework, furthermore 9S have added that some teachers set them 2 pieces of homework in the same week and ask for clarification on the homework policy.
    - Elodie stated that sometimes the amount of homework given fluctuates depending on topics and where in the syllabus they are, but agreed to bring this up so that Teachers are aware.
    - Students in Year 7 have suggested that an After School Homework club would also be extremely beneficial.
        - Elodie agreed that this was a good idea.
    - Furthermore, Students have expressed that they would prefer homework to be set in lessons, then put on teams as opposed to them just finding out that they had homework over teams.
- 9S have commented that it would have been beneficial to set bridging work between year 8 and year 9 to help with the transition.
    - Sithuli agreed that this was a good idea.

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Sessions on How to Revise

- Year 11's mentioned how they felt that they would like more support with learning how to revise for Exams and wondered whether they could have a dedicated session to go over this.
    - Elodie agreed that this was a good idea, and stated that Mr Selby should be made aware.

<u>Student Enrichment</u>

World Book Day

- Students suggested that donations should be taken on World Book Day, which go towards the library.
    - Elodie stated that this was a good