

## S2 Pupil Council Meeting Minutes 8<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Present;

P Marshall, C McCrea, S2 Pupil Council Representatives see names below;

2a1	Kate Rankin	David Jackson
2a2	Hannah Dougall	Emma Dougan
2a3	Kevin MacMahon	Eilidh Mckay
2a4	Megan Hughes	John Martin
2a5	Naimh McWilliams	Connor McGloin
2a6	Mia Bell	Mary Creighton
2a7	Josh Kerr	Vaneeze Malik
2a8	Francesca Martin	Ross McSorley
2a9	Aayaan Ilyas	Zainab Alani
2a10	Fraser Steel	Marie-Therese Semple

### **1. Welcome & Prayer**

Mr Marshall started meeting with a prayer and welcomed the Pupil Council Representatives to the meeting.

### **2. S2 so far**

Mr Marshall asked pupils their views on their S2 experience so far.

- Pupils said they were not overloaded with HW.
- Tests have become a little harder- not just multiple choice
- Teachers have mentioned NAT4/5- Getting ready in S2
- Pupils receive good support with notes and materials being issued by teachers
- GLOW can be accessed more easily and is used for homework in some departments

### **3. The S1 Options Process**

Pupils felt it was a positive experience as they can continue with subjects they enjoy.

They feel they will have more time to prepare for examinations.

They benefit from extra year of understanding.

Mr Marshall pointed out the S2 have more trips than any other year group so pupils can benefit from a wide range of excellent opportunities & experiences.

Pupils expressed that the choice info evening helped in making up their mind.

The booklet issued, speaking to teachers and taking advice from Pastoral teacher all helped them in their options decision making.

If they were asked to give advice to the new S1- don't rush, follow the same process, and speak to teachers.

Mr Marshall asked what it would be like if didn't choose subjects at end of S1

- pupils would still be doing subjects they don't like
- They would not be focussed
- Pupils happy that there is a flexible approach and changes can be made to timetable if necessary

#### **4. Consultation Document**

Mr Marshall said that every pupils had received a letter for parents about the consultation on placing requests for admission to St Ninian's HS

Discussion on lack of spacious social areas/ dining facilities at lunch time/ music & sport resources.

Option of placing huts in the school grounds would not be a positive learning experience for pupils.

#### **AOCB**

Pupils raised the following issues

More water fountains/ often not working

Introduce Trampolining on PE curriculum

Locks in toilets to be repaired

Permission to go to toilet during class

Air Freshener in changing rooms

Mr Marshall and Mrs McCrea thanked pupils for their participation at Pupil Council Meeting