



## Parents' Forum

1<sup>st</sup> February 2018

### Attendees

Tom Beaumont

Mark Denton

Samina Kauser

Jolene Lewis

Tabby Naseem

Emma Womble

Loz Wilson, Headteacher

Lorna Wright, Community Engagement Manager

1. Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No apologies</li></ul>	
2. Minutes of last meeting / matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minutes of the meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 were approved</li><li>• There are no outstanding actions</li></ul>	
3. Online safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chris Langstaff, the school's VLE and ESafety Coordinator, gave an eSafety update for parents:  2018.02.01 eSafety.pdf</li></ul>	
4. School update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Following discussions at the last meeting of the Parents' Forum, a presentation to staff on lockdown procedures has been booked. This will subsequently be rolled out to students and parents will be kept informed</li></ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loz Wilson is continuing research into successful anti-knife crime projects and has visited the Ben Kinsella Foundation in London and has booked a visit to the ‘No Knives, Better Lives’ project in Scotland. There is to be a publicity campaign to promote awareness of the dangers of carrying knives across all secondary schools (and possibly extending into primary schools) across Kirklees, involving local press. It is expected that this project will be handed over to the Local Authority safety lead once it is launched, so that it can be managed centrally</li> <li>• In other school news, the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of pre-public (mock) exams is about to start and initial outcomes from the first two rounds are positive</li> <li>• Kirklees secondary school progress scores were recently published in the Huddersfield Examiner and this puts NHTS in a strong position, reflecting that our students outperform the majority of schools in the area with regard to progress made since Key Stage 2</li> <li>• Students are taking part in writing and performing an Opera with the company Opera Schmopera. Tickets will be on sale shortly for the performances on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March – watch this space!</li> <li>• One member of the Parents’ Forum is invited to be a guest at future meetings of the Community Hub, the forum through which the local family of schools works together to support children and families across the community. Mark Denton and Tom Beaumont offered to help</li> </ul>	
5. Consultation: school events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School events for parents continue to grow as the student roll increases and parents were asked for their help in supporting and promoting upcoming events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Opera (March)</li> <li>○ Wizard of Oz school production (July)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Parents gave suggestions as to what draws families to community events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Emergency service vehicles (e.g. fire engine)</li> <li>○ 5-a-side tournament</li> <li>○ St John Ambulance / First Aid demonstrations</li> <li>○ Nail painting</li> <li>○ Food / drink</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

**Next meeting: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 5:30pm**