

PRG You Said We Did May 2022

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With the handover of the whole school site you were interested in an update on the primary school opening date. We asked you to discuss the possibility that this might be delayed until 2024.	We listened to your feedback and wrote to families in May explaining that the primary school opening date had been set for September 2024, the letter can be found in our archive.
You raised some concerns about road safety - in particular the desire for additional highways work to ensure safer routes up from Horsham once the roundabout is opened.	We agreed that some of these routes would benefit from additional works and shared that we had requested this in parish council meetings. We explained that we would be sending out an updated travel survey in the summer term of 2022 which we would share with Horsham planners. We all agreed to keep pushing for public bus routes to serve the school. We are told that the roundabout works should be finished this summer and are holding out hope that that is still the case; as soon as we receive an update we will share it with families. We are also keen for families to get involved in requesting improvements of highways by following this link:
You discussed our current situation with home/school communications - you felt the bulletin was useful but some information wasn't shared there, such as site updates around the playing fields etc.	We agreed and sent home a letter with updates as well as including this in the bulletin as and when news was available.
You discussed the progress on the new development that is going up around us and requested an update on this.	We have asked L&G for an update for our families and will share as soon as we have one.
You talked about after school clubs, the changes to how these are offered now that the bridge is in place and they are after school again. You said you were happy with these and the flexible approach to attendance.	We agreed to keep monitoring attendance and shared that we were excited about the additional clubs our new staff in September are likely to bring into the offer.
You talked about the slightly different way we did our parent/carers consultation this year for Year 7, with appointments all day and remote learning. You explained that for some members the offer for two parents to join from different locations didn't work,	We understand that some parents prefer face to face meetings and have discussed as a team the possibility of a hybrid model with virtual parent/carers consultations alongside more face to face opportunities to visit school; we are organising some

and questioned why on all day for Year 7?	of these for the summer term and will continue to do so next year and to review the offer. We explained that the all day appointments were likely to be a one-off measure to manage the large size of the year group against the small staff team. For example, some teachers have 240 students with which they need a meeting and so an evening or even two wouldn't suffice.
You talked about the recent Drop Down Days and how in previous terms they had been more widely publicized.	We agreed that we hadn't been as transparent with this term's drop down days and that we would improve in this area.
You discussed the future of pastoral care at the school and talked about the possible introduction of houses & communities within the school.	We agreed to update families on these plans in a letter this term.
You asked about the lack of fixtures and sports teams this year.	We agreed that, even once we had the bridge in place, we have struggled to staff fixtures and sports teams this term and shared that we have a far larger team next year and have invested in a curriculum leader for PE to ensure that this is a priority.
You requested further information for Year 7 summer camp for current Y6.	We are very excited about our summer camp offer (we finally get to do it in our own school building!) and sent this out to families before half term.
You noticed that the website and bulletin were not always aligned in terms of the information shared.	We agreed to link to the 'You Said, We Did' on the bulletin each week. We agreed with you that there is some out of date information on our website and have a team working slowly through it to update.
You had a very useful discussion about our systems for sanctions and punishments. You felt that overall the system seems fair and proportionately applied. You asked if we spend time as a team reviewing the issuing of sanctions and if you could have an explanation for decisions.	We agreed to update families regarding our consequences and rewards processes in the new year.
You reminded us about the amazing offer of support from Horsham Green Gym.	We are very excited to take this up as soon as the fields have been handed over to us which we anticipate to be September at the latest.
You discussed the recent (and our inaugural) ski trip and asked questions about the plans for another trip next year.	We were so grateful to hear your positive feedback about the trip; an amazing amount of hard work went into making it happen against all the odds and we have sent home letters about the ski and Florida trips for upcoming years.
You discussed the upcoming uniform changes and agreed that, although there are some concerns	We let you know we have introduced a new uniform provider alongside TaylorMade Uniforms and hoped

about changes for Year 10 and the introduction of ties there were also several families and students who are excited about the chance to dress in a more 'grown up' way at school.

that competition would drive down price.