

PARENT PARTNERSHIP – Wednesday 25 January 2017

Parents Present:

Susan Anderson, Peter Anderson, Martine Paradine, Toni Paradine, Amanda King, Beth Jackson, Heather Lee, Rebecca Wilson, Tracey Hofton, Aminata Dibb, Mrs Nassr, Sally Ngo, Christine Chadwick, Nokuthula Mhazo, Gary Humble, Katrina Thorley, Amandeep Dosanjh, Victor Dosanjh, Ngoc Tran.

Senior Leadership Team present: Derek Hobbs (Principal), Jo Green (Vice Principal), Andy Smith, (Vice Principal), Liz Barratt, (Assistant Principal)

Staff Present: Dan Pickup, Head of Green House, Suzannah Diamantis, Head of Yellow House, Paul Rogers, Niall Ruane, Careers & Employability Champion

Governors present: Ros Harris and Helen Hudson, Parent Governors, gave apologies for tonight's meeting

Outcomes of the meeting:

1. Welcome and prayer

Jo Green welcomed everyone to the meeting and led a prayer

2. The work of the Heads of House; supporting charities and developing extra-curricular experiences

Miss Diamantis explained that the Houses support different charities and undertake different forms of charity work to raise money for these causes.

Mr Rogers spoke about the school's enrichment programme and how it benefits the students. Enrichment programmes were available for parents to take home and are also available on the school website.

Mr Pickup spoke about the school's partnership with the YMCA. They will be providing new enrichment activities in the spring term, such as climbing and kayaking. Mr Pickup and the YMCA will be taking several students on an exciting trip in March, sailing around the Isle of Wight. We hope to expand on the range of opportunities offered to the students at Emmanuel.

Please see attached presentations.

3. Support and guidance offered to students via The Employability Hub

Mr Ruane spoke about his role in the school as Careers and Employability Champion at the school. He explained the importance of offering direct contact with employers to students. To facilitate this, the school has built up numerous contacts with many businesses, for example, Boots will be coming into school in the next few weeks to work with some students. NRU explained how he works with each Key Stage and the importance of the Work Skills programme, which takes place during year 10.

4. The new Teaching and Learning Framework

Ms Barratt explained that a new Teaching and Learning framework is currently being adopted by all teachers at the school. She explained some of the key concepts for this and distributed a pack of resources to help parents support their children with their work at home. **Please see presentation.**

5. **NEXT MEETING**: Thursday 11 May 2017