



# THE NOTTINGHAM EMMANUEL SCHOOL

A Church of England Academy

## PARENT PARTNERSHIP – Thursday 11 May 2017

### Parents Present:

Neil Thorley, Sally Ngo, Victor Dosanjh, Singh Manmoham, Amanda King, Martin Paradine, Heather Lee, Sian Beavis, Liz McDermott, Paul Digman, Amanda Digman, Heather Straker, Zeinba Nour, Tracey Hofton, Ahmad Ahmadi Motlagh, Gelareh Sedieh, Isabella Aduke Braner.

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

**Staff Present:** Suzannah Diamantis, (Head of Yellow House), Alice Carlisle, Head of PSHE/Citizenship

**Governors present:** Ros Harris, Parent Governor and Heidi Shewell-Cooper, Chair of Governors

### Outcomes of the meeting:

#### 1. Welcome and prayer

Ros Harris welcomed all to the meeting and led a prayer.

#### 2. Renaming of the Houses -an overview of the process undertaken

Miss Diamantis explained that the school Houses were previously named after colours; Red, Blue, Green and Yellow. However, the Heads Of House and many students felt that the Houses should be renamed to reflect the new school values; Wisdom, Hope, Community and Dignity. As such, the Heads of House undertook a student voice survey, speaking to students from all areas of the school. Following this, it was decided that the Houses would be renamed after important historical figures. Students from all Houses voted on the historical figures and the houses have subsequently been renamed, Romero House - Red, Pullinger House - Yellow, King House - Green and Booth House - Blue.

#### 3. PSHE and Citizenship at Emmanuel across the year groups

Ms Carlisle introduced herself and explained that she is a subject specialist in PHSE and Citizenship. She described what is currently taught and further explained that changes to the curriculum will be taking place, and explained that further aspects of PHSE and Citizenship will become compulsory in Key Stages 3 and 4. She provided parents with a document outlining the curriculum. Learning currently takes place during de-timetabled day known as 'Drop Down Days'. Ms Carlisle asked for feedback from all regarding any aspect of PHSE/Citizenship and provided a card with her email address.

#### **4. Seeking parental feedback regarding school events and via the Kirkland Rowell Surveys**

Mrs Green handed out a sheet and explained that the school is looking for feedback on the events that take place throughout the school year, in regards to such aspects as placement in the year, frequency and general feedback. All parents proceeded to work in groups to collate their ideas onto the sheet. This feedback will be distributed to SLT to inform future planning.

Mr Smith informed all of an online survey that is due to take place and explained that a similar one was undertaken two years ago. Students, staff and parents are all invited to take part. Parents were invited to collect a letter with information on how to access the survey. The window for completing this survey will be open until 9<sup>th</sup> June.

#### **5. Update from the Principal: Developments regarding joining a Multi Academy Trust**

Mr Hobbs explained that the school is currently a single academy trust and further clarified what this means for the school. Following this, he explained that the school is consulting on joining a multi-academy trust academy alongside the Bluecoat Schools Trust. There will be further opportunity for parents to give their feedback on this.

#### **6. Parent Governor vacancy**

Ros Harris, Parent Governor, announced that there is currently a Parent Governor vacancy and asked that if anyone was interested they could speak to her about the role directly.

