

meantime PC Corner intends still to help and have input into the successful Friday Night Project.

- 5. LGBT**

DCHS has recently been awarded the Silver Chartered Mark Status for the continuing work for the LGBT community in school. This has recently included Non - gender specific roles in what were previously known as Head Boy/Head Girl positions. These have been replaced with School Captain and Vice-Captain.

The role of support offered to LGBT pupils will be continually reviewed
- 6. Parent Workshops**

The workshops offered for both Maths and English were well received and feedback suggests helpful and informative in practical tips as to how students can be supported at home.
- 7. Involvement of Parent Council**

The role of the parent council at Deans Community High School is to support the Head Teacher in moving the school forward. Mrs Allison says she feels reassured by the support the parent council offers as a "sounding board" to ideas.

Parent council discussed if all dates for the year ahead parent council meetings could be forwarded to local councillors then they have these well in advance. To be followed up.
- 7. Further Support**

More EAL going to be considered.

Autism- Further training to teachers and staff to deal with the needs students with Autism have.
- 8. Attendance**

This area is still slightly lower than average and it was re-iterated again about the direct correlation between school attendance and success. This will be re-iterated to students. DCHS working to improve attendance figures.
- 9. Feedback From Survey**

The school was very pleased with the numbers who responded to the parents/carers survey. It was requested could school consider publicising what action is being taken on feedback received. HT agreed and will action this.
- 10. School Ethos**

The school ethos is strong and remains central. HT would like to pull together an overall shared vision. Pupils will be asked in tutor to give their contributions. PC suggested that perhaps a pre-warning to students ahead of this question may result in more thought and participation when

answering. Tutors to ask students to think about school vision ahead of collecting information.

11. **Instrumental Music Service** The debates regarding this are on-going and parents will be advised as soon as decision has been finalised.
12. **West Lothian Schools Pipe Band** Well done for recent achievement of 4th place at the British Championships (narrowly missing 3rd by ensemble preference only).
13. **Blazers** Group call will be sent very shortly regarding measuring and re measuring in order to allow blazers to arrive for start of new school year. Senior pupils who undertake roles I.e house captain/ prefect etc will have braiding on blazers.
Blazers are encouraged but not compulsory in years S4-S6. Students who accept roles such as house captain etc are expected to wear blazer.
14. **EXAMS** Feedback so far is that no major problems have been reported with exams already taken. Most have been rated "fair" by staff.

15 Date of next meeting -

This will be 25.9.18 and will be the parent council AGM. All welcome.