

Rivers Academy Parent Forum

Date 15/12/22

Focus Group: Year 7 Parents & Year 12/13 Parents

Topic: Careers Strategy

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Cafeteria menu	Is it available to get the school menu on the school website? It would be really helpful to help parents discuss with children what they will eat the next day	Cafeteria menu to be published on the school website
Target grades on books	<p>Grades on the front of the exercise books are quite confusing for parents</p> <p>Is there anywhere where we can explain the meaning of these grades?</p>	Create a letter home with explanation when reports are sent home
A central point of reference for all homework	<p>Parents would like to know when homework is set and when it is set by</p> <p>Sparx Maths is brilliant but we need to be able to know when homework is set? Is there a central place where we can find out the homework timetable</p>	Website to be updated with the homework timetable
Lockers	<p>Are there any plans to get lockers</p> <p>Mr Wormald explained that there were no plans</p>	

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	and most students do not need to carry a lot as they dont bring books home regularly but this is something we could lock into	
Communication	<p>Can we get all of the information in one place? Its difficult to find information and it would help if there was a single source</p> <p>.</p>	TWO shared that we were updating the website and would aim to make this more useful. Parent feedback on this is welcome
Walking home	Children are only allowed to wear black coats with no trim and its really dangerous to be walking around only in black.Could we encourage them to wear reflective strips or change the colour to something that is easier to see as this is dangerous at night	If individual students want to wear removable high vis walking to and from school they may do so

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