



Batley Girls' High School

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Minutes of the Meeting of Parents Forum

Held at Batley Girls' High School on 1 May 2019 at 10am

PRESENT:
Dave Cooper & Julie Haigh (Co-Heads)
Iffat Ahmad (Chair of Parents Forum)
Stephanie Holt & Jean May (Governors)
11 Parents

	Minutes	Action
1.	<u>Chair's Welcome & Introductions</u>	
2.	<u>Gatsby Benchmarks (Careers)</u> Co-heads announced Batley Girls' has achieved all the careers Gatsby benchmarks. There are only 30 schools nationally who have achieved these benchmarks. Press release was shared with all parents.	
3.	<u>100 Inspirational Event (Co-Heads)</u> Co-heads discussed 100 Inspirational Leaders event who attended with their parents at Leeds Beckett University - Thursday 11 April. Yr. 9-13, staff nominated students who have achieved and contributed in the school and community. Parents' who attended commented how positive this event was for the students and families. The arrangements for traveling and timings were excellent. The catering reviews was well received.	



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4.	<u>Yr. 11 Communication & Celebration</u>	
	<p>Co-heads discussed the arrangements for Yr. 11 Students when their exams are completed. A letter has been sent out to all parents.</p> <p>Non uniform for students will take place form 13 May – option of uniform can be worn.</p> <p>Attendance is compulsory till 28th June.</p> <p>Exam arrangements</p> <p>Students will be invited to the Yr. 11 Prom and a theme park visit to Flamingo Land.</p>	
5.	<u>Eid arrangements</u>	
	<p>Parents' forum discussed the Eid letter which goes out to all parent re arrangements for Ramadan and Eid. This letterer was consulted with Parents' forum.</p> <p>There was also a discussion re how parents' would need to communicate with school re which days' their daughter will be taking off. School would need to know this information for safeguarding purpose.</p>	
6.	<u>Spotlight Roles – Careers Team</u>	
	<p>Each member of the careers team gave description of their roles in school.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Batley Iftar – Saturday 11 May 7.30pm</u> <u>Transition Coffee morning - Tuesday 25th June 11am-1pm</u> <u>Transition Parents Evening – Tuesday 2nd July -6pm</u></p>	
	<p>Iffat Ahmad promoted the events above.</p>	<p>PF to let IA know which event they can attend</p>
8.	<u>AOB</u>	
	<p>Discussions re further careers visits in the next academic year (2019/20).</p> <p>Parents raised a possible session re Mental Health, October 2019</p>	
9.	<u>Communication</u>	
	<p>Some of the parents discussed they would also like to receive PF updates through WhatsApp. Salma Patel has kindly offered to update the group.</p> <p>Please provide your name and number to Iffat Ahmad on iahmad@batleygirls.co.uk confirming you would like to receive updates on Parents' Forums via WhatsApp. You will then be contacted by a member of the group</p>	
10.	<u>Date for Future Meeting</u>	



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	Tuesday 2 July 2019, 10-11.30am. Parents are welcome to attend from 9.30am for coffee and informal chat.	IA to email PF
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