

S4, S5 and S6 Pupil Council

22.1.16

Present

Charlie, Aishling, Aimee, Coral, Ronni, Willis, Bruce, Karris, Emma, Balfour, Megan, Jack, Finley, John

Minutes

1. Moving Forward and Consultation

- The group looked at the feedback from S1 to S6 and the following themes were picked out by pupils under the headings discussed in PSE lessons.
- *What are we about?*
Friendly school, relaxed, community, clean, safe, comfortable working environment
- *What do you see as a visitor to the school?*
Friendly, no vandalism, photos of events, light clean environment, welcoming pupils and staff
- *What do we like about our school?*
Good food, trips, good opportunities for the size of the school, Head teacher, good teachers who are happy to help, no uniform
- *What is it like being a pupil at Stromness Academy?*
Close community you know everyone, pressurising, could be more trusting of pupils it feels like you are being monitored, difficult having many teachers off has had an impact on our learning
- *What do we want?*
Senior pupils would like more work experience opportunities available within the curriculum to take during S4, S5 and S6, first aid training, more consistency with teachers, pupils and parents should be fully informed on decisions made by the school, cut down on paper use, better heating, House points that are evenly given out to each year group.
- *What courses or activities would we like to be on offer?*
After school study sessions should be set up for every day except Fridays, Spanish, drama, photography, modern studies, National 5 Accounts

2. Channels of communication

- No specific issues raised by pupils, all pupils were aware of the appropriate person to communicate any future issues to.