

Residential Report to Governors – 15th September 2017

A great start to the academic year with all boarders settling in very well.

We have had a new member of staff start (Tim Payne) who seems to be settling in very well and the pupils are very complimentary of him. Tim is being well supported through the induction process.

Staff have had training during the two inset days at the start of the term. This has included Team Teach refreshers, Fire marshal training, First aid training and ASD training. Staff have also completed their mandatory health and safety training and HAYS safeguarding E-training.

A new sofa has been purchased for the boarding house which will replace one of the old sofas that has become tatty and worn. We are waiting for this to be delivered.

ASDAN has started within the boarding house and the pupils are currently working on the communication module which has so far involved them creating a power point presentation on a subject of their choice. They will then present this in small groups. DH is also in the process of linking the ASDAN programme in with some of the curriculum subjects and the teachers. As the programme moves forward, we will be looking at things such as living skills and citizenship and community.

The last physical intervention was on the 18th July 2017.

We had a fire drill (due to burnt toast) on Tuesday 12th September 2017 and everybody evacuated the building in approximately 30 seconds which is very efficient.

We have had a new year 8 start boarding and are looking forward to welcoming a new year 11 in to the independent house on Monday 18th September 2017.

We have also now appointed a health and safety pupil rep who will complete a half-termly walk around with staff and record his views on the health and safety of the provision from their point of view.

