

Residential Governors Report – September 2019

We have had a very positive start back to the new school year within the Boarding House. All pupils are happy to be back, and have all settled back in very well. With this being a new year, we have begun to look at updating and modernising paperwork. We have revised the current Placement Plans and have created from these a 'Support Plan'. This takes the vital information for the Placement Plan, and then builds upon it with details about how staff are supporting the pupils in order for them to achieve their full potential. On top of this, we have revised the 'Keeping Safe' plans in order to make them more concise and pupil centred.

Before the summer holiday AC and KW began to put together an updated Independent Living Skills programme. This has since been implemented with the Year 10 and Year 11 pupils. They have responded well to this and seem positive about the programme.

We have a new pupil currently being transitioned into the boarding house, and several new Year 7 pupils who are interested in placements. Because of this, we have swapped around our Key Worker roles, in order to allocate Key Pupils to our newest member of staff, and support the remaining pupils to the best of our abilities. Pupils are aware of this, and are happy with their new Key Workers.

We have begun to put together a new activity list for the pupils, which we are planning two weeks at a time. The pupils have had a chance to suggest activities that they would like to do, which we have facilitated where possible. In addition to this, we have received new mattresses, bedding and towels for the Boarding House, which have been received very positively. We have also just had 5 new televisions delivered for pupils bedrooms to replace broken equipment.