

Parent Forum 12.06.25
Meeting Minutes

Mrs Wood delivered a presentation to the parents about the support services on offer to students across the school.

Feedback from Parents:

Counsellor

- Can parents self refer?
Yes, or pupils, but it is on a voluntary basis. We can't make a child engage.
- Can anyone identify needs to refer a pupil - if the child doesn't know they need help
Yes
- Parents were not aware that Year coordinators didn't teach
A positive as YC can collect students for support.
- Following up with parents if issues are identified. Especially if parents reached out
Yes, if safeguarding. But all counselling appointments are confidential.
- What constitutes an email to Attendance i.e appointments and if we need to see evidence of appointments - personally send in a letter
Can be a screenshot.

Do you or your child use support services?

One child used counselling service which was really beneficial

Not used by ourselves

Just right, the amount of support services provided

Use social media to promote support services

Sharples Safe is a great idea, would be great to promote this to move parents/children as this is the first we have heard about

Like to see

- Better engagement with parents and school in relation to support provided or support needs of individual children
- Confidentiality to be respected where possible
- Anonymous forms for parents (how viable is this?)

- Create possibly via parents forum to discuss personal experiences/challenges faced by families. Sharing sessions would help with learning and understanding
- Collecting compiled stories, techniques etc

Other

- Issues dealt with promptly and effectively
- Good social media presence
- Clubs cancelled parents are not informed, especially if the children don't have a mobile phone
- Adequate communication via email
- The way Sharples support the children we are really happy with, the only thing we are concerned about is non communication about clubs happening after school and if they are cancelled - ie War Hammer or non curricular after school events.

Miss Molyneux thanked the forum members for their input this year. The opportunity to speak to parents and receive feedback on issues including uniform, home learning and more has been vital to shape policy changes for 2025-26.

All members were invited to our Open Classrooms event on Wednesday 2nd July from 14.15 to watch some learning at Sharples.

Meeting Closed 15.15