

Meeting Record School Council	Date: 28 November 2007	Present: Lewis Aung 9FS, Olivia Yates 9PT, Sam Frankland 9FP, Jenna Schroeder 9VP, Alice Taylor 9JPF, Michael Turner 11CBE, Abbey Renshaw 11FH, Sarah Weigold 11CBE, Lucy Plummer 13DDC, Heather Patterson 13DDC, Charlotte Chinn 13DDC, Louise Crocker 13TR, Fraser McQueen 13BR, Barbara Marshall
		Absent: Brent Stewart 10EHE, James Soffe 10AD, Ollie Crandon 10CA, Lucy Stephones 10DP, Carla Gordon 10TP, Philip Lee 13BR, Alex Babbington 13GR, Jonathan Greaves 13GR, Alex Conroy 13BR, Lizzie Freeman 13AJH

Agenda Item	Action	By When	By Whom
	<p>BM welcomed the new Y9 Council members and outlined the work the School Council do, highlighting that in the past they have raised the issue of water fountains and the sixth form common room both of which have been improved as a result.</p> <p>BM outlined that last year the main focus of the School Council was on our Green Travel Plan and Healthy School status. As a result of their contribution we have been awarded a grant of £10,000 to spend, although we won't get this until January 2008.</p> <p>Next steps are to improve barriers out on school coach loop and to research cost and suitable site for cycle sheds. Important issues are bikes being kept dry, assured of security. Discussion surrounding 6th Formers who may want to access bikes outside of fixed hours. MTurner, SWeigold and LAung to reasearch suitable sites and sheds and report back.</p>	Nxt Mtg	MTurner SWeigold LAung
SUSTRANS	BM highlighted that SUSTRANS (safe routes to school organisation looking to open up cycle routes) are involved nationally in a £50M lottery give away. Four organisations are involved in the lottery give away which whichever organisation gets the most votes via computer/phone etc winning. SUSTRANS have supported us and we might like to support them. BM asked how we can do this and School Council suggested encouraging IT teachers to get each student to log on at beginning of lesson and vote; putting details on internet home page with a link; an article in Kings Messenger. MTurner volunteered to write article for Kings Messenger.	3/12/2007	MTurner
	BM outlined further projects that School Council may be involved in are a DVD about road safety.		
Local Area	BM reported that Cheddar has a new Police Sergeant who has asked for input from our students. BM asked Student Council members to get back from each Year Group their 3 priorities for the local area. i.e. able to feel safe walking around Cheddar. The Police Sergeant is happy to come in and meet with the School Council to receive this feedback.	Nxt Mtg	All
Catering	BM suggested that we invite Mrs Brimble (Head of Catering) to a School Council Meeting to talk about the school canteen. BM outlined that there is every opportunity for a snack bar in 6h form area. 6th Form would also be keen to have a coffee machine.		BM/NC

Play Space	<p>BM highlighted that we are aware there is a problem with play space and in order to make the best of what we have got the School Leadership Group are keen to open up the small tennis court again. There is a problem with large footballs on the tennis court with 4 windows smashed in the last 4 months. It is a health and safety issue so rather than ban footballs a compromise was reached which allowed small footballs.</p> <p>Discussion followed regarding reinforcing windows or raising the height of the fencing surround the tennis courts. FMcQueen and ARenshaw to visit CBrown and ask for cost of raising fencing for courts, when it might be possible to budget for it and investigate sponsorship.</p> <p>SFrankland suggested purchasing some small goals and volunteered to research cost of this. BM reminded students that we could ask for financial support from the PTA. Lewis Aung suggested fund raising specifically for football/windows i.e. Football/entertainment fund.</p>	Nxt Mtg	<p>FMcQueen ARenshaw SFrankland</p>
Charities Week	<p>Y9 and 10 students asked about Charities week – hadn't seen much publicity? Senior Team reported that they will be visiting assemblies next week . 10 people on Senior Team who plan the whole week. Programs will be on sale next week. Charities Week runs from 10-14th December and every break and lunchtime a different event is held, culminating in Rock & Roll years on Friday lunchtime. £7 will buy students a wrist band that will get them into whole weeks events. Students can pay on the door for break and lunchtime events but NOT Rock & Roll years – a wristband is needed for this.</p> <p>All money raised during Charities Week goes to 3 charities – one local, one national and one worldwide. This year the charities are Make a Wish, Cancer Research and African Aid</p> <p>The Winter Ball for Year 9&10 takes place this Friday and tickets are£6.00.</p> <p>The Senior Prom for Years 11-13 takes place on Friday 14th December.</p>		

The next School Council Meeting will take place on Thursday 24th January 2008, Period 6 in the Conference Room.