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Homework – Y8 and Y9 students have raised the amount of homework..	MH explained that that homework is to increase your knowledge and is not just to receive feedback from teachers. It also enables students to become independent learners which is an important skill for life.
Canteen prices were raised again..	MH explained that prices are going up generally across the country. It was agreed that the boss from Impact, who run the canteen should be invited to the next meeting so that issues around prices, labelling, vegan options and allergies can be asked directly
The sixth form feels that the sixth form café doesn't have enough comfy seating. The outdoor seating is rusty and the paving slabs are not level. The art work in there needs to be updated.	MH has spoken to the Art department who are going to produce a new mural. The new block will have a screen set up like the one in the Hub and MH will find out whether USB ports will be put in. SM is going to look into 6th form rewards and agree with MH.
Tutor Curriculum is too busy.	MH explained that this has been discussed at SLT and they agree and are looking into the possibility of adding 5 minutes to tutor time in 2023.
Students say that they have been given late marks for P1 when actually they were with their tutor at the end of tutor time due to it being too busy to talk to them during the allocated time.	MH said to see your HoS or PSL in that instance who will get it removed..

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Students requested having a note on the register when they need to go to the toilet so that staff can see how much time they are out of lessons and make a better judgement on whether they should be allowed to go..	MH explained that next year we are having to add 10 minutes to the school day and so this could be used to incorporate a transition period between lessons to give time to go to the toilet
Students would like to be able to wear PE kits to and from school if they have PE during P1 or P5.	MH explained that they are representing the school on the journey to and from school and so need to be in their school uniform. Students need to be distinguished from those in other schools
Students would like to wear coats in classrooms when the room is particularly cold.	MH said it is down to the teacher's judgement of how cold that room is. Coats can be worn if the teacher says so. Students can ask.
Students queried the lockdown procedure and if we could have another drill.	MH confirmed that we would have a lockdown drill at some point in 2023
Students questioned what the plan for the sports hall is, the temporary changing rooms are freezing.	We have secured funding for a completely new sportshall which is exciting news. In the meantime we will look at how we can make it warmer.
Students would like to wear black jumpers for PE instead of blue.	Mr Bullock has revamped the PE kit for Sept 2023, it will not be black but he has taken on board the views of students and staff when putting it together
Students think that having PE as a double lesson would be beneficial and would waste less time.	MH encouraged students to discuss at their next School Council meeting