

# Brannel School Council Newsletter

The School Council meet each Half Term to discuss important topics and make sure Student Voices are heard by the whole of the school. We will be keeping you informed of the discussions we have, and any action taken, in this newsletter after each meeting.

## Teaching & Learning



Following the school council meeting, dated 5th May, we came to the conclusion that we greatly support the variety of methods used by staff when implementing differentiation in the classroom; for example the use of Gold, Silver and Bronze. This system is greatly effective as it sets clear guidelines and what is needed to be achieved by the end of the lesson. MFL, Science and English already use this approach well. However, feedback from houses suggest some struggle with the challenges differentiation presents. The school council will present these concerns to the relevant staff members.

By Shannon Miller

## House Council

The next meeting is being held on the 19<sup>th</sup> May. It is really important for your voice to be heard so please see your Tutor Rep if you would like anything discussed or have any input on the following agenda items:

- School Buses
- Eco-Friendly & Recycling
- Break and Lunchtime facilities & Clubs

## New Uniform Policy



In response to the new uniform policy the school council greatly support the idea of blazers. We appreciate this is quite a change from past uniform policies but we feel this is a positive step and brings us in line with other school uniforms. Some pupils have been concerned about the 'scruffy' appearance of the previous Brannel uniform and the new policy addresses this concern. In other business concerns were raised about the new school shoe guideline, this was presented to school management however it was decided that new school uniform will be upheld.

By Shannon Miller

## House Rewards

We have been speaking to Mrs Berry on the topic of House awards. I was sent to liaise with Mrs Berry on how she rewards her students weekly and in house assemblies she said "There are two awards I give out, a 'fantastic failure' and the student will receive a branny pencil and there's a 'student of the week' which is given to each house every week and it's shown on the school Facebook page the student will be given a box of muffins". Overall I feel that every house should do the fantastic failure award as all the house's do student of the week award.

By Jack Bree



We hope you found this newsletter interesting and really hope you will engage with us and together we can make all of our Voices heard.....

Thank you - The School Council

