



Student Affairs Committee NEWSLETTER

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Another year done!

It has been a very busy year for everyone involved with Sharples School. The SAC are no different, there has been lots of fantastic work going on behind the scenes throughout the year to make sharples the best it possibly can be! There are going to be several changes to the SAC next year, some of which will be discussed further in this newsletter.

At the end of this academic year, we will be saying farewell to a number of students that will be leaving the SAC this year. Those students are;

- James in Y7
- Olly in Y7
- Pasha in Y8
- Lewis in Y8

We would like to place on record our thanks to the above students for all their hard work throughout their time with the SAC. All students have sat in and brought fantastic ideas to the table and not to mention Lewis' & Pasha's involvement with interviewing the now current Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer.



Head Boy/Girl & Deputy Appointments

Well done to some of our Y10 SAC members on their appointment to Gold Ties!

- Sherjeel - Head Boy
- Jasmine - Head Girl
- Darcy - Deputy Head Girl
- Umaynah - Deputy Head Girl

This once again, highlights the clear pathway from the SAC to potential appointments as you progress at Sharples. Well done everyone!



Thank you, Ms Webster

This year marks the changing of the guard here at Sharples, with Ms Webster recently announcing her retirement after more than 30 years dedicated to Sharples School.

Ms Webster has been the SAC's main point of contact in recent years and has been an active supporter of the SAC. Ms Webster has undoubtedly done her best over the years to make Sharples the fantastic learning environment that it is, today.

Ms Webster has always been open and transparent with the SAC on any projects within the school and has really listened to our members and their opinions on issues.

Although Sharples will be a very strange place without Ms Webster, we're sure that the school will thrive under our new Headteacher.

Ms Molyneux will be taking over as Headteacher in September and has already met with Mr Charlton to outline her expectations for the SAC in the upcoming academic year.

We would like to finish by placing our thanks to Ms Webster for all of her unwavering hard work over the years and wish her all the very best in her well deserved retirement.

Thank you Ms Webster!!



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Year in Review and some changes for next year!

It has been a very exciting and busy year for the SAC, whether that be from our half termly meetings, to having our first ever representative in the Bolton Youth MP Elections.

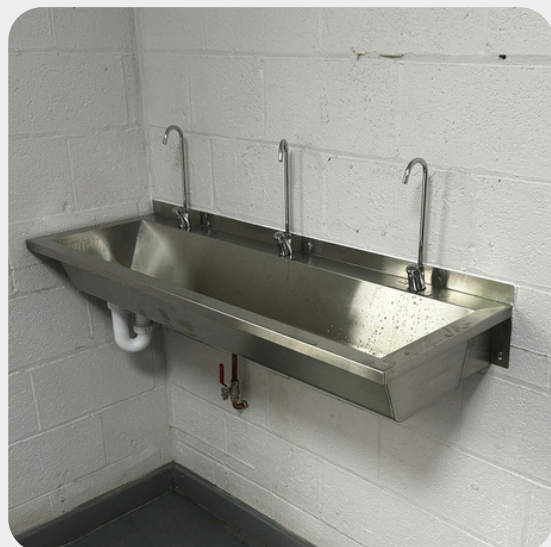
As pictured to the right, some of our senior SAC members have been given the honour of becoming some of Sharples' Gold Ties. The SAC is a fantastic step in the journey and process to becoming a Gold Tie.

We have had several changes made around school that have come from the SAC, including water stations and a new canopy area on the Y7 zone (pictured).

As we look forward, there will be openings in several year groups from September, so keep your eyes peeled for more details! We will also be launching the SAC to our new cohort of Y7 students which is all very exciting!

Next year, the SAC will develop its charitable arm as they will be looking at ways to raise money for projects across the school site, something which we are looking forward to!

Some of our SAC members will hold a weekly meeting with Ms Molyenux as part of a new initiative that we will share more details of in September!



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How can I stay in touch with the Student Affairs Committee at Sharples?

Newsletter

This newsletter will be sent out to all students as well as going on the school website, SAC Twitter and School Twitter. This will enable students to keep up to date with the work that the SAC is doing and remind students that their opinion matters.

Display Board

Our new display board is up and running in the Student Zone area. On this display board you will be able to see the most recent newsletter. It will also include a QR Code to access this newsletter in digital format.

Twitter

We have our own Twitter (X) account, @SharplesSAC. In addition, we will also be celebrating some of the fantastic opportunities that Sharples offer their students as part of the 'Sharples Advantage'.

Speak to SAC Members

Our SAC members are visual by their Purple ties (Image to the right). We also have new Sharples SAC badges (Image to the right) that members wear on their blazers which will once again make them more visual to students. We encourage any student to speak to their Year Group members and raise any concerns or points they may have.



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Bolton Youth Voice

Bolton Youth Council



Do you want to have your voice heard?

Bolton youth council are the voice of young people and we work to make positive changes to the lives of young people in Bolton.

Why join youth council ?

- To work on campaigns at a local, regional and national level.
- To boost confidence and self esteem.
- Learn and develop life skills, including; leadership, teamwork and public speaking.
- Meet new people and do something different.
- Be apart of Greater Manchester youth voice networks and organisations.
- To raise awareness of youth voice and local democracy.

We meet at... Castle Hill Young People's Centre, Castleton St, Tonge Moor, Bolton BL2 2JW

Contact... Grace Crosby Tel: 07747 648294 or email: grace.crosby@bolton.gov.uk

We meet every Tuesday evening 5.15pm - 7.15pm



Voice4U action group

Are you aged 12-18 years old?

Got something to say about being in care?

Want to make changes to the service and support you receive

Want to meet new people?

Together we can build a better Bolton Help us... join us... have your say

For further information or to book your place please contact Mary Martin Participation and Engagement Lead for Care Experienced Young People 07789 031601/mary.martin@bolton.gov.uk

Castle Hill Young People's Centre Every Wednesday 4-5.30 pm Refreshments provided



Are you a care leaver from Bolton aged 16-25?

To make sure we get things right, we need to hear from you!

Would you like to meet with other young people to discuss the issues that affect care leavers?

Would you like to be part of a group of care leavers who provide feedback to decision makers to improve services for care experienced young people from Bolton?

Bolton NextStep meet on a weekly basis to discuss issues affecting care leavers in Bolton

Food included

Make new friends

Provide feedback on services

The next session is:

Every Thursday Term Time only

Contact Mary Martin on 07789031601 for further details



Mental health comes in many forms

It's okay to talk

We meet on the 1st Tuesday of every month:

Castle Hill Youth Centre 5.15-7.15pm

Want to chat for more info? Text/email/call:

Ciara - ciara.steele@bolton.gov.uk 07813 692583

Grace - grace.crosby@bolton.gov.uk 07747 648294

Join our Healthy Minds Youth Group

Be the voice to make a change - work with us to reduce the stigma around mental health.

Work in partnership with your local NHS and mental health services in Bolton.

Make a difference and help us shape mental health services for young people.

Look at the difference we've already made...

www.bekindtomymind.co.uk