## March 2020 Newsletter: Student Leadership

# Nunthorpe Student Services

Open every school day 8.15-8.35; 10.40-10.55; 12.00-12.25; 12.30-12.55

Here's an update on what student services can currently offer and what to watch out for in the future!

### What we offer

#### 1) Free services (subject to availability)

Day sheets Make-up wipes Nail varnish remover and cotton wool pads Plasters Tissues Change (if we have it at the time) Lost property Handing in letters/ reply slips (no money please) Loans of blazers and spare uniform items (we do not loan ties) Amnesty box for returning library books Red Box project – please see next page for details

#### 2) Items for sale, available all the time (subject to availability)

**Stationary** – black/ blue/ green pens, pencils, rubbers, rulers, sharpeners (all 20p); highlighters (30p); Sharpies in a huge range of colours (50p). Bic pens in a range of styles and colours £2 (range available changes all the time).

**Planners** - £3. We are not able to provide planners "on credit"; they must be paid for in cash. If you pay for one on ParentPay, you will need to see your Pastoral manager to confirm that payment has been received, and bring a note from them to collect your new planner.

**Ties** -  $\pounds$ 6.50. As with planners, you can pay cash and receive a tie straightaway; if you pay on ParentPay, you will need to wait until we receive confirmation.

*Locks* -£4. Locks are now available to purchase in cash or on Parentpay.

#### 3) Fair Trade Chocolate sales, lunchtime only

We are pleased to be able to offer a range of fair trade chocolate bars for sale in both lunch breaks. Full size chocolate bars are 60p,



Did you know that if you are concerned about any issues around bullying, you can ask to speak to one of our ambassadors? Our referral form is attached to this newsletter. You can complete it yourself, ask a parent to help you, or ask your form tutor or pastoral manager to refer you. We will then match you with an ambassador to begin one to one support.

Our service is available to anyone who is being bullied, who is concerned about bullying and even to people who have been involved in bullying and want to change. Perhaps you are not specifically being bullied but are just anxious about friendship or social issues. Whatever the reason, our trained ambassadors are happy to help.

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smaller bars eg Freddos, small KitKats are 25p. All Cadburys and Nestle chocolate is now fair trade. The money we make from chocolate is used to support:

- The rewards system; we are currently helping to fund some of the rewards available, such as stationery items and Bic pens
- our leadership projects in school, for example the Red Box project, the work of our anti-bullying ambassadors and also our plans to work on ending single-use plastic in schools.
- our events such as the Christmas Fair and the Community Christmas Party.

Please note that we must make sure that the chocolate sales do not lead to an increase in litter, otherwise it will be withdrawn immediately.

#### The Red Box Project

The Red Box Project is part of the campaign called End Period Poverty. It was originally launched to make sure that no girls ever feel they cannot attend school because they can't afford the sanitary products that they need to get through the day. However, at Nunthorpe, we have extended the project to make it available to anyone – students or staffwho need to access it. Anyone can be caught out by not being organized, by losing items or by a sudden accident. The Red Box contains a huge range of sanitary items, underwear, wipes and tights. All underwear and tights are new and sealed in the packaging and nothing needs to be returned or replaced.

The box is very well used by both students and staff- some days up to 10-12 times in a day by different people, so please try not to be embarrassed if you need it, you are certainly not alone! Simply approach any member of student services and ask for access to the box. You will be able to come in, look in the box and take what you need. It will be handled discreetly.

Please note that student council meetings are now every other Tuesday, (next meeting 10/3/20), from 3.15 to 4.15 in L2. Anyone is welcome to join; come along to give us your opinion on our school, to effect change, to get involved in projects, to volunteer for student services or to give us your ideas! Just turn up, or speak to Miss Dixon for more information.

#### <u>Rewards</u>

In order to claim any kind of reward, you need to have the ClassCharts app. If you don't have your code for this, please see your tutor. Once you have the app, you will be able to see your "spendable points"; this is your Achievement Points minus Behaviour Points, minus any points you have already spent.

We can issue queue jumper stickers and give out stationery items straightaway; if you order something larger, like a gift voucher, you will need to give us a few days to get it ordered. Please DO NOT come at lunchtime and expect us to issue a lunchtime queue jumper for that day; please come in advance to give us chance to do it properly.

We currently have 106 rewards that have been claimed but not collected. If you have ordered a reward, please can you collect it this week? Some of the rewards have been on order for months now! We have had to freeze the purchase of Bic pens due to the backlog of orders.

Therefore any orders that are not collected by Friday will be refunded to your account and we will then be able to reopen the purchase of the popular Bic pens as a reward! (Yes, we have black ones!)

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