



13<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

New Parent Forum

As many of you will know, parents have been working closely with the school both through FOSDA and also through other informal routes, to maximise support for all that the school does. We are delighted that we are about to launch a new parent consultation forum which will formalise some of this work and will sit alongside the fantastic fundraising work of FOSDA.

The aims of the parent forum will be:

- To give the parents and carers (SDCC) an effective voice.
- To offer positive support for the students, staff, schools and our communities.
- To connect this community college to the communities it serves.
- To provide a forum for the school to gauge parent views about initiatives planned and implemented.
- To enable parents as a group to raise issues effectively.

We are intending to hold the first meeting of this group on February 6<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 5.30pm. The group will be jointly led by a parent chair and a senior staff member. We are also seeking representation from the Governing Board.

The intention is that this will be a group of parents who represent the full spread of the college and who are able to commit to regular meetings and other activities, which may involve seeking wider views from other parents/carers not on the group.

If you are interested in participating in this group, please email me (Rebecca Cosgrave) on [Becca.cosgrave@gmail.com](mailto:Becca.cosgrave@gmail.com). It would be really helpful if you could let me know the year group your child(ren) are currently in and any further information which you think may be relevant in helping me to ensure we have a representative group.

Really looking forward in building a positive forum together.

Rebecca Cosgrave