KGGS Governors visit form. Please complete and return to the clerk to governors

Link Governor	Darren Bungay		
Faculty / Member of staff Visited	DT/Enterprise Piers Mayfield	Date	4th July 2017
Purpose of Visit	Introduction and fact find		
Question asked	What numbers / percentage of students move through to DT for GCSE's and on to ALevel ?		
Response Results have very encouraging and numbers have increased year on year with a positive move through to ALevel			
Question asked	Are they happy in terms of support / funding etc		
Response There has been solid investment and budgeting for the department, however, like all departments it would benefit from a stronger budget. They do have to ask students to contribute to the cost of materials from time to time to ensure the viability of some projects.			
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How did the visit go? What did you learn? What were your impressions? Please continue overleaf			

I found the meeting and the visit extremely useful and enlightening. Piers very kindly gave me a tour of the school as well as his department, which has helped to put a number of aspects in perspective in terms of environment, size and layout.

On first impressions, all the girls were very polite and well behaved. The overall facilities looked fantastic and the atmosphere was upbeat, busy and enthusiastic.

The design technology department seems very well run with a great team. Like all departments funding is tight, however they do extremely well and manage to run a varied curriculum. Student engagement and up take in numbers for GCSE's and Alevels have been moving very positively and it will be exciting to see this develop over the coming years.

One aspect we discussed was the potential of looking for external sponsorship from within industry and the local / regional business community, which I feel is something I would like to work with Piers and the team on. We will look to discuss a number of ideas the team have and on how we support the faculty in developing a number of project ideas, which in turn could continue to encourage and support the students progression in this exciting avenue of the curriculum.

I look forward to supporting the department in any way I can in the coming year.

Signed _____ Date _____