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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Parent Review Day Thursday 19th March

We believe that a child's academic and pastoral success is built on an effective partnership between Parents/Carers and the academy. We would therefore like to invite you to a Year 7, 8 and 9 Parent's Review Day on **Thursday 19th March** to update you on your child's progress. The day will take place between **12.00 noon – 7.00 pm**. The hope is that this more flexible extended day will give you a better opportunity to attend and discuss your child's progress with their subject teachers and identify future steps to success.

Years 7, 8 and 9 students will not be required to attend school as normal on this day, but must accompany you to their appointments. We believe it is very important for **students to attend with their parents/carers**, your presence will act as a great support and motivation for your child. They will **not need to wear school uniform.**

You will have received your child's AP2 assessment report, which outlines their current and expected progress in all subjects as well as their attitude to learning which can be used to inform your conversations with subject teachers. Parents will receive more detailed reports from Core subjects English and Maths on the day which will outline how you can support students in those key subjects.

In order to ensure that you have an opportunity to discuss each subject with your child's teachers, it is essential for your child to make appointments with each teacher beforehand and that these timings are met. All students will have been given an appointment sheet which they will need to fill in. We would encourage you to ensure your child has made appropriate appointments.

Whilst we appreciate that students in years 7-9 will be losing a day in school to facilitate the parent review day, we place a high value on the need for greater independence from our students. To support this need, students will be given extended independent learning tasks in key areas to continue their progress towards their examinations. These tasks will include an opportunity to develop research skills from primary and secondary sources as well as focussing on specific areas of weakness identified by their class teacher. These learning tasks should be started on the 19th March and will need to be handed into their subject teacher before the end of the half term.

We look forward to seeing you on **Thursday 19th March**, we are certain you will find the day very useful and informative.

Yours sincerely

Darren Gelder

Principal - Grace Academy Solihull

