

March 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

### Parent Review Day - Thursday 22 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 Review Day on **Thursday 22 March 2018** 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 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 AP3 assessment report, which outlines their current and expected progress in all subjects as well as their attitude to learning. This should support you in ensuring that you can speak to the subject areas in which your child needs most support. 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 an appointment sheet which they will be required to fill in.

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 22 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 22 March**, we are certain you will find the day very useful and informative.

Yours sincerely



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