

Tuesday 12 January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 8 Parents' Evening – video call consultation booking system

Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, we are unable to host Year 8 Parents' Evening as planned on Thursday 28 January 2021. However, we are pleased to report that we will replace the face-to-face meetings with a video call or telephone consultation booking system. We will send out further information over the next two weeks on how to access this facility and make appointments with your daughter's subject teacher and/or pastoral team.

Video consultations will take place on Thursday 28 January and appointments can be made via GroupCall from 9am to 4pm. Each consultation will last for five minutes. You will have the opportunity to talk to staff about your daughter's current progress and the Year 8 Options process. We will publish further guidance to parents on how we will ensure your daughter continues to meet the statutory requirements of the Key Stage 3 curriculum once she returns to school.

The Year 8 Options Evening will be a virtual event on Thursday 4 March 2021. Further details to follow nearer the time.

Your daughter received her termly academic report in December 2020. This termly report provided key pieces of information relating to her current academic progress, achievements, behaviour and attendance. In addition to the termly report, please [click here for a copy of the Knowledge Assessment Framework](#). This booklet explains in detail how your daughter's knowledge, skills and understanding will be assessed throughout each term in Year 8, in line with the Key Stage 3 National Curriculum.

Over 900 video calls took place during the Year 7 Parents' Evening and we received positive feedback regarding the appointment system. We did experience some technical issues therefore please note the following requirements:

- Open the link to the video call at least 2 minutes before the scheduled appointment
- Ensure you have good internet connection to avoid any technical issues with sound

Please do not hesitate to contact school if you require any further information. Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs K McCourt

Deputy Headteacher