

22nd February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Sixth Form Parent Consultation Week
1st – 5th March 2021

As a school community we are constantly having to adapt how we work during this continued lockdown. Normally after sending the progress data out to you, we would arrange a yearly Parents' Evening to meet together and discuss your child's progress. Sadly, this does not look possible for the foreseeable future, and so as an alternative, we have decided to hold a Parent Consultation Week, to try and ensure we can speak with each of you in turn.

Your child's form tutor will be in touch, using the tutorial Teams system, to offer an appointment time for him/her to telephone you next week. The intention is for the tutor to speak through the progress grades that were sent to you recently, and to discuss through your concerns and hopes for the next few months. It would be helpful if your child was also present, possibly on speaker phone, so that the maximum can be made of this 15 minute consultation.

If the appointment time suggested is not convenient, please ask your child to communicate this to the tutor and an alternative will be found. In addition, should you need more detail from a particular subject, or have a very complex query, the tutor will be able to arrange follow up emails or phonecalls for you.

We appreciate that in normal circumstances you would be able to speak individually to all twelve subject teachers during a Parents' Evening, but logistically this would be very difficult, both for you and also your child's teachers who need to maintain their virtual teaching to all pupils.

We are hoping we will find this a very effective way of keeping in touch, but we will review how it goes, and would welcome parents' perspectives via an online survey we will organise following the parental phonecalls.

Sincere hopes for a return to some form of normality soon.

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Davies
Deputy Headteacher