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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 11 Tutor Time – New Academic Support Groups

As we begin this important year for our Year 11 students, we are continually looking at how we can make the best use of the school day to support every student in achieving their full potential.

From Tuesday 15th September, Year 11 students will move into new tutor groups. These groups have been carefully organised using students' Year 10 examination performance to ensure that the support they receive during tutor time is closely matched to their academic needs.

The purpose of this change is to make tutor time an increasingly focused and purposeful part of the school day. Students will receive targeted academic support designed to address gaps in knowledge, strengthen key skills and help them prepare effectively for their upcoming mock examinations and public examinations later this academic year.

These groups are intended to be responsive to students' needs and progress. We will continue to review performance throughout Year 11 to ensure that students are receiving the most appropriate support as they work towards their examinations.

Tutor-time arrangements

Targeted tutor-time sessions will take place Tuesday to Thursday, from 8:30am to 9:00am.

It is therefore essential that all Year 11 students are on site by 8:20am, allowing them sufficient time to be ready for a prompt 8:30am start. With examinations approaching, every minute of additional learning and preparation is valuable, and punctual attendance will be particularly important.

The existing arrangements for Monday and Friday will remain unchanged:

- Monday – Year 11 Assembly
- Tuesday to Thursday – Targeted academic tutor-time sessions
- Friday – PSHE

Students will be informed of their new tutor group and where they need to go before the new arrangements begin.

This targeted tutor-time provision forms part of our wider programme of support for Year 11. Further details regarding after-school intervention sessions will follow shortly, including information about the support available to students and when these sessions will take place.

Year 11 is a crucial stage in your child's education, and we want to ensure that we use every opportunity available to help them make strong progress and approach their examinations with confidence. We appreciate your support in reinforcing the importance of excellent attendance, punctuality and engagement throughout the year.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Campbell — **Head of Year 11**

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