

**Our Ref LM**

**Date: 24/06/2020**

Dear Parents and Carers

**R.E: Academic Mentoring Days – July 2020**

First of all I want to take the time to say thank you for your support in dealing with such unprecedented times; I truly hope you and your families have kept safe and well throughout this period.

The government has stated that it is "signed up... to bring every child back, in every year group, in every school, by September 2020." As teachers and parents / carers, we know though this transition will take time and sensitivity. To this end, we are looking to set up a series of academic mentoring days to allow students, parents / carers and tutors to meet to prepare the way forward.

To manage numbers in school appointments will be staggered by year group:

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Date (s)</b>
Year 7	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July & Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July
Year 8	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July & Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July
Year 9	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July & Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July
Sixth Form	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July to Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July

This will be an opportunity to explore how students have felt across this period of absence and also what we can do together to get each student back on track, ready for a September start or for their next steps.

Tutors with available timings will contact students with time slots via school e-mail/phone conversation to arrange a 30-minute meeting. This will be to discuss the student's progress and any support that may be required. These appointments are open for parent/carers to attend with their child but if you are unable to attend, we would still really like to see your child.

It is entirely up to you if you want to agree to the appointment that your child's tutor offers you. If you and your child do not want to meet the tutor during these academic mentoring days, please make tutors aware so they can manage their appointment slots. If you do intend to join your child for the agreed appointment, you will need to complete the attached document and bring it with you.

You can be assured that the school will take all necessary steps in terms of social distancing and sanitising to ensure that all such meetings are managed in the safest way possible.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school community as strong as it is.

Yours Sincerely



**Mrs Lynn Mayes**  
**Principal**