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Dear Parents and Carers

We hope you all had a restful summer. Further to the letter I sent to you before we finished for the summer break, I wanted to take this opportunity to highlight some interventions we will be carrying out this term to help your child achieve their full potential. The results of your child's PPEs sat at the end of Year 12 were two or more grades below their target grade in one or more subjects.

The proposed intervention will be a dovetailed approach between the sixth form pastoral team and subject teachers to help achieve the best outcomes for our students. We know that many parents and carers will have spoken with subject teachers at the Year 12 Parents Evening which followed the PPEs in July, and many will have had key conversations regarding areas where students are succeeding, and areas which need further development. We ask that parents and carers continue to help monitor these areas at home and continue these dialogues with subject teachers where necessary.

In addition to our monitoring and guidance of all students we be implementing the following interventions as further measures to help assist your child's progress:

- Use of students' non-timetabled lesson time to work within departments or specified work to complete in these periods
- Provision of additional resources and past exam papers
- Compulsory attendance to subject revision sessions (these may be at lunchtime or after school)
- Half termly assessments
- Group guidance meetings with the sixth form team
- Individual mentoring meetings with their form tutor and members of the senior leadership team
- Additional themed assemblies to help with study skills, well-being and exam technique
- Guidance meetings with subject ambassadors

We know that last year was a difficult year for many students, and we hope that the additional support and intervention will help to assist our students to achieve their very best. As students make the necessary progress through the school year it may be that they no longer require this further support and intervention and we will continue to keep you informed of this decision.

The sixth form team are looking forward to a new academic year and hope that our united approach will help all of our students achieve the success they deserve. If we can be of any further help please do not hesitate to contact us.

Your sincerely

Miss H Jackson

Director of Key Stage 5

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