



Tuesday 13th October 2020

Dear Parent/ Carer,

We would like to thank all of our Year 11 pupils who have attended their Session 7 upon returning to school in September. We have noticed such a positive and productive working environment and the attendance has been incredibly high. This demonstrates the commitment and dedication our students have in wanting to succeed and also the support from families.

As you know, we have moved to a more effective communication system with SIMs parent and pupil app. The parent app gives you up-to-date information on achievements, letters home, progress reports and clubs. This allows us to keep you up to date with all areas of your child's education. Notifications can be delivered directly to your phone keeping you fully informed of how your child is doing and ensuring that you do not miss any important communications. This is especially important when we may need to ask your child to self-isolate as the app allows us to contact you quickly and also allows you to see the work that has been set for your child to complete.

We have now moved Session 7 onto the app and you should be able to see this by clicking the 'Activity' tab. This means that when your child attends their Session 7 you will receive a notification that they have arrived to that session and the teacher will also then award your child their achievement points. If you **do not** receive this notification this means that your child has **not** attended their Session 7.

I am sure that we all appreciate how important effective communication is, especially given these unprecedented times. If you are experiencing any difficulty in downloading the app please contact school where we can check your email address and ensure that you receive the invite to allow you to utilise all that this app offers.

We continue to welcome any encouragement from home for your child to attend these compulsory sessions and ask that you use the app to monitor and support your child's attendance.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Greenhalgh'.

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