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Dear Parent / Carer,

Tutor time provision – Screen time reduction

I hope that this letter finds you and your family well, that your child has had a well-deserved break and that they are looking forward to starting a new half term from Monday.

As you know, looking after the wellbeing of our students and staff is of the utmost importance. We have therefore decided, following feedback from staff, students and parents / carers that we are going to reduce the number of tutor time sessions from five to three sessions during the week. These will take place on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

It is hoped that this additional 50 minute break during the week will give our students some time away from their screens, to stretch their legs and ensure they are ready, prepared and on time for their next lesson.

For Years 7-10, the three tutor sessions will focus on literacy, oracy and PHSCE. Assemblies will now be put on the website weekly for staff, students and families to watch at any time. The Drop Everything and Read session will be cancelled, so students are encouraged to read in their leisure time.

For Year 11 students, the same will apply except the sessions will include two sessions of core lesson intervention (Maths, English or Science) as well as one PHSCE session (Friday).

For Year 12 and 13 students, separate correspondence will be sent out via the Sixth Form team.

We hope that this is another positive step forward in our Blended Learning provision. All changes will be made for students on their 'Teams' calendar. Tutor time start and end times will remain unchanged.

The tutor structure will return to normal once students come back into school. As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch should you have any queries.

Yours faithfully,

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