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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to you as we approach the end of this academic year to inform you of some changes affecting tutor groups that will apply from September 2021.

With a view to enhancing and further personalising the support we are able to offer our students, it has been decided that Year 9 students will move into single-year tutor groups next term. This will align Year 9 students with those in Year 10 and 11 who are already in single-year tutor groups, creating an 'Upper School' comprising of Years 9, 10 and 11. This will mean that students will now be supported through the Options process and their subsequent GCSE studies by the same form tutor from the start of Year 9 until the end of Year 11.

Students in Years 7 and 8 will remain in mixed 'Lower School' tutor groups.

The Year 9 tutor team will be overseen by Miss North (Year Leader). Tutors of Year 9 next year will be: Mrs Middleton, Mr Hayes, Mr Mansfield, Mr Prendergast and Miss Savage.

Students currently in Year 7 who have been in the tutor groups led by the five teachers who are changing roles will be re-distributed among the nine remaining Lower School tutor groups. As ever, tutor group placement has been decided on an individual basis, with students being assigned whichever tutor it is collectively felt fits them best.

We will not be publishing new tutor group lists until we return to school in September. Students will see them displayed on their arrival at school.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the support you have given from home through this most challenging of years, and wish you all a very happy and restful summer.

Your faithfully

Jamie Nunn

Assistant Headteacher

