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Dear Parents/Carers

Principal: Mr I Patel

In September we met with almost 60% of parents/carers at our first virtual tutor evening where tutors provided you with information on how students had settled back into school life and how to best support them in Year 11.

It has been some time since you have had an opportunity to meet with your child's subject teachers to discuss their progress and current predicted grades. In order to meet with the current government guidance, being able to meet with parent/carers face to face will not be possible again.

We would now like to invite you as the parents/carers and your child to **attend the Year 11 Virtual Parents' Evening** which will take place from **5:30 until 7:30 on Thursday 3rd December 2020**.

You will be able to **make appointments after 4 pm on Friday 20th November** with all the subject teachers so you can discuss your child's progress and current predicted grades.

Y11 students have been given a Chromebook and before the Year 11 Virtual Parents' Evening and we will be showing students how they can support you in logging in and attending the parents' evening virtually.

Please follow the guidance enclosed. There is limited availability for appointments so please book your appointments as soon as possible.

You will be able to meet subject teachers individually to discuss in detail your child's **current predicted grades and what they need to do to improve further**. These current predicted grades will be sent to colleges and further education providers so they will help to inform you and your child which courses to apply for. It will also be a great opportunity for you to find out how your child did in the recent **summative assessments** which took place at the end of October in most subjects.

Our aim is to provide you with information and strategies about how to best support your child to ensure they achieve their best possible grades.

Obviously, we understand that parents have other commitments, should you not be able to make the appointment it would still be beneficial for your child to log in and speak to their teachers alone. **However, we would prefer to meet your child with you.**

We very much look forward to meeting with you virtually to discuss how we can work together to ensure success in Year 11.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'S. Johal', written in a dark purple or blue ink.

Ms S Johal
Vice Principal