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Dear Parents and Carers

Achieve Week

We are excited to inform you that during the week Monday 24 March to Friday 28 March, we are hosting our third Achieve week of the academic year for all year 10 students.

The Achieve weeks take place three times throughout the Academic year:

WB 11.11.24
WB 10.02.25
WB 24.03.25

During these three weeks, students in year 10 will follow an alternative, achieve week timetable. This timetable will reflect their options subjects but still give them core lessons.

The Achieve weeks give students extended periods of time in each subject area. Some key stage 4 courses require extended periods to support students to achieve their potential. An example of this is BTEC subjects where students are required to complete formal assessments (PSAs) throughout the two-year course. In other courses, the extended periods of time allows staff to ensure depth of knowledge in specific, more challenging areas of the course or time to develop examination technique.

We have taken on board student feedback from the last two Achieve weeks and we are:

- Increasing the number of practical sessions during the week
- Holding additional live trials to improve examination technique and preparation
- Providing Geography students with the opportunity for their fieldwork
- Allowing students to leave the academy following P3 on Friday 28 March

Students will receive an individualised timetable for the week. This will reflect the plan below:

- Tutor Time each day: Science
- Monday P1-3: Option block C
- Tuesday P1-3: Option block B
- Wednesday P1-3: Option block A
- Thursday P1-3: Option block D
- Friday P1-3: Core Achieve Day Mathematics and English
- P4 Mon-Thurs as usual

It is imperative that all students attend every day throughout the week. Attendance will secure the best possible outcomes for every student and allow them to access all of the interventions provided. If you have any concerns with attendance for any specific day, please call the academy and ask to speak to a member of the year 10 team.

Throughout the week, staff will be sharing positives through Classcharts, so please keep your eye on the message function here and celebrate these positives with your child.

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Principal

