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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Parents' Information Evening & Settling in Evening Thursday 9th September

At Ecclesfield School we are keen to give you as much information as possible about the year ahead for your son/daughter so that you are in the best position to support them throughout Y7. We also understand that you have been unable to meet with your child's Tutor due to Covid restrictions and believe that they are the key person in school with whom you will communicate across the next five years. Below is a breakdown of what we will offer on this evening, and how you can book your slot to meet your child's Tutor as well as speak to key staff in school.

Tutor appointments

These appointments are an opportunity for you to meet your child's Tutor and discuss any issues on how your son/ daughter is settling in. Although these appointments only last 5 minutes it is an opportunity to start to build the relationship between home and Ecclesfield with a key figure in your child's school life. Tutors can be contacted at any time during the year by either phone or email and they should be the first point of contact for any issues or queries you have. To book a slot with your child's Tutor, please book online using School Cloud <https://ecclesfield.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>. You will need your child's name and date of birth and your email address to log in. Please refer to the attached user guide for further instructions. Appointments will be available from **4.00pm – 7pm**. The system is currently live so you can make your appointments now and it will close on Thursday 9th September at 9am so that staff can prepare for the meetings.

If you have any questions about pastoral support, daily routines or your child's wellbeing, please use the tutor appointment to speak to your child's form tutor. They will be your first port of call over the course of the academic year if you have any further queries or concerns.

These meetings will take place in the Sports Hall.

Parental Information Sessions

To enable greater flexibility for parents, we have scheduled three information sessions at 4.30pm, 5.30pm and 6.30pm. During this session, you will learn more about what is expected of your child this year as well as providing you with further information on the following topics:

- ✓ Curriculum content – *what does the curriculum look like in Y7?*
- ✓ Knowledge Organisers – *what are they and how do they support my child?*
- ✓ Sims Parent App
- ✓ Assessments and reports home – *how you will know if your child is making progress or not?*
- ✓ The new Attitude to Learning criteria
- ✓ Literacy – *a whole school priority*
- ✓ Pastoral support and communication with home.

You do not need to book onto these sessions and they will take place in Lady Mabel Hall.

I look forward to sharing more information with you all on Thursday 9th September.

Yours sincerely

Miss Rennicks
Y7 Progress Leader