

29 January 2021

Dear Parent or Carer

RE: Form Time

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the help and support you are providing at home during – what we appreciate – are very challenging circumstances for many.

As you may be aware, we have recently reintroduced **form time** back into the school day to offer that additional layer of pastoral support. So that it does not add an additional burden to students, this only takes place between 8.55 am and 9.05 am on Monday and Wednesday (allowing for a break before the period 1 lesson begins).

Form time is intended to support students prior to the school day, giving opportunities to ask any questions and for our form tutors to 'check in' on students. It is also an opportunity to provide student updates, whole school messages and occasional assemblies.

Alongside pastoral support, we also use this time to focus on key topics designed to support the wider personal development of our students. These include discussions on worldwide events such as the vaccine roll out, the US presidential election and Holocaust Memorial Day.

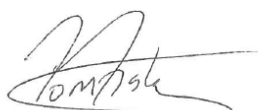
Over the coming weeks, topics that will be covered during form time will include:

<i>Children's Mental Health Week</i>	<i>w.c. 1 February</i>
<i>LGBTQ History Month and National Apprenticeship Week</i>	<i>w.c. 8 February</i>
<i>Safer Internet Day</i>	<i>10 February</i>
<i>Fairtrade Fortnight</i>	<i>22 February to 7 March</i>

Where possible, please could I ask that you encourage your child to access their form time for these two mornings a week, so that they can benefit from the support on offer.

Many thanks in advance for your support.

Yours faithfully



Mr Fisher
Assistant Headteacher