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25th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Progress/Options Evening – Thursday 3rd February 2022

I hope that this letter finds you safe and well. I would like to invite you to our Year 9 Progress Update and Options Evening on **Thursday 3rd February, 4pm – 7pm**. This event will provide you with the opportunity to review your child's engagement in Year 9 and their current working grades towards their end of year targets.

During the evening, you will meet with your child's teachers to establish their current working level and look at how we can all support them in progressing even further towards their target grades. This will provide a fantastic opportunity for you to discuss your son/daughter's progress and better understand their strengths and areas for development within subjects, ensuring that they are making positive progress. Progress Tutors will also be available to provide updates about attendance, behaviour and attitude to learning. Furthermore, you will have the opportunity to discuss the GCSE options process in more detail with designated members of the Senior Leadership Team.

As of Tuesday 25th January, you will be able to book your appointments for this evening via the SchoolCloud booking system. For this event, you have two options:

1. **Face-to-face appointments at the school between 3.30pm and 5pm.**
2. **Online video appointments via SchoolCloud between 5:15pm and 6.45pm**

To make your appointments, please use the link attached:
<https://grangeacademy.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Following your selection, you will receive an email confirming your appointments. A parental guide is available on our school website if you require further assistance in booking appointments and using SchoolCloud.

For face to face appointments staff will be socially distanced around the school hall and dining areas to facilitate these meetings in a COVID safe environment. Parents and Carers using this option are asked to maintain social distancing, wear a mask if possible and **provide a negative lateral flow test result before entering the school**. We have a limited stock of these tests so would ask parents to complete their test at home and show the result on entry. Please allow additional time to undertake the test prior to your appointment if it cannot be taken at home.

Please be mindful of the importance of arriving to the face-to-face appointments at the designated time and please be aware staff will not be able to meet with parents/carers without an appointment.

If there are no available appointments for a required teacher, please email the department you wish to speak to (email address' are 'insertsubject'@thegrangeacademy.co.uk – i.e. English@thegrangeacademy.co.uk). Alternatively, contact the school and request a call back from the required teacher.

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I am sure you will appreciate that selecting their GCSE options is a significant time for your son/daughter. In order to ensure that your child is making the right selection for their future, your attendance to this event is crucial in ensuring that you child is supported during this process.

If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the school office who will discuss alternative arrangements.

We look forward to welcoming you to this event.

Yours faithfully

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Progress Leader for Year 8 and 9

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