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Dear Parents/Carers

Since taking up role as Headmaster in January, I have had a fantastic first three weeks. This is my eighth school and I can honestly say that the welcome I have received here and the politeness of all students has been the best I have ever experienced. I look forward to working with you all in order to secure the very best outcomes for your children.

As you will be aware from media there are many changes facing secondary schools at present, these include GCSE's and A levels, a new way of grading GCSE's and new Year 7 students coming up into secondary education, without traditional levels. As a result we are in the process of reviewing our curriculum and looking at how best to report progress to both students and parents so that you understand the strengths of your children and where they need to focus their energies in order to become more successful in their learning and achievement.

In order to move this discussion forward and so that we are ready to launch our new reporting systems in September the Governors have agreed that we can take one hour during school time on Friday 5th February in order to present our ideas to the whole staff.

As a result on Friday 5th February there will be a late start for all students. They will start that morning with a five minute registration at 9.30am.

If any of you have any major difficulties with this, please can you contact the College and we will make arrangements for your son to be supervised for the first hour.

Yours sincerely

D Garrido
Headmaster

