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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the completion of the Core Examinations teaching staff have been working hard to mark students' examinations and return them with detailed feedback on how each student can further improve in each subject. In turn we have been using the results of the examinations to produce an objective rank in each subject to place students in Teaching groups that will allow us to best support them in making these improvements.

Your child's Core Teaching groups are available for you to view as a report on Go4Schools, please remember that it is not possible to view reports on the Go4Schools mobile app and you will need to login to the web app to view them.

Teaching groups are decided based on performance throughout the year, in particular, the Core examinations that took place recently. To move up a Teaching group a student would need to out-perform students currently in that Teaching group. Being on or above target is not an indicator that a set change is needed. There is of course no ceiling on progress in any Teaching group and all students are given an equal opportunity to reach their full potential.

As your child moves into KS4 and begins their GCSE studies we increase the number of Teaching groups in English, maths, and science from four to five to ensure that all students have even more one to one time with their class teachers. English and maths will therefore be taught in groups E1-E5 and M1-M5, respectively.

Science is both a Core and Pathways subject, which means that the Teaching groups are slightly different to the English and maths groups. Some students chose to study triple science and have been allocated to the T1 and T2 groups, which were decided on by the Pathways block each student selected triple science in. The students who did not choose triple science as a Pathways choice have been allocated to the Core science groups, C1-3.

Your child's other Teaching groups have been allocated based on their Pathways choices. Their PE and PSHE groups will be created to give students an opportunity to work with students they might not have an opportunity to work with in their other lessons, with students being divided between five groups. Should you have any questions regarding your child's Core Teaching groups please do not hesitate to contact me with general questions or the Head of Faculty/Department with specific subject Teaching group questions.

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