

16th July 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you of some changes to the teaching groups for year 7 students as they move into year 8.

Students will continue to be taught as mixed ability groups and will remain in their current House and tutor groups. However, in order to avoid students being taught by a number of different teachers for the same subject, we are moving from seven to six teaching groups in year 8. This will enable us to sustain a level of consistency for our students, and although this change will mean slightly larger class sizes in year 8, we do not anticipate this having any impact on the quality of teaching and learning, or of the progress the students will make.

In order to cause as little disruption as possible, we have redistributed one of the groups on the east half of the year. We have also looked at the distribution of ability and attitudes to learning across each group and made a few changes to re-address the balance where necessary.

Further adjustments to teaching groups will need to be made over the Summer as we receive further progress data, and thus students will be informed of any changes when they return after the holidays.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have:

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As this academic year draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your continued support and wish you a lovely Summer.

Yours faithfully



Jayne Brown
Vice Principal