

7th January 2020

Our Ref: HT/JL/2044

Your Ref:

Dear Parent / Guardian,

Re: KS3 Changes

We hope you all had a restful holiday.

Over the past 18 months we have been redesigning our Key Stage 3 curriculum to ensure that it prepares the students fully to meet the needs of both their progression through school and for their lives after school.

As part of these curriculum changes moving forward from January at Key Stage 3, we have been fortunate enough to be able to provide language lessons to some of the students who were not studying a language before.

Working with the Year Team leads, we have been able to make our teaching groups slightly smaller in the S and A bands by creating mixed ability teaching groups, which aims to improve the students learning experiences. Students in the R band will not be affected due to timetabling constraints.

We have also been able to provide some additional support into Year 7 and 9 for students who require additional English and Math's support, to ensure they are maximizing their progress.

Moving forward from September 2020 we are aiming for all Key Stage 3 to be mixed ability groups, which have been proven to improve the children's learning.

Yours sincerely,



Miss H Tanner
Senior Vice Principal