



HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE

“Develop all learners to achieve their full potential”
“Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**



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Dear Parent/Carer

Sixth Form Tutor Periods

I hope that this letter finds you and your family well. As we come to the end of a long and challenging term for students, I wanted to write to you regarding a change to your child's Sixth Form timetable from January 2021. In a normal year Sixth Form students would have tutor periods on a daily basis alongside a weekly assembly. As you're aware since September we have not held tutor periods and have adopted a virtual programme. However, from January we will be reinstating tutor periods for both years 12 and 13. These will be held on separate days in order to tailor the relevant activities for each year group and to minimise contact between the Year 12 and Year 13. Year 12 students will be expected to attend a 20 minute tutor time session on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week.

A particular focus in the New Year will be developing the independent study skills and revision skills that are required for Sixth Form study. Alongside this we will also be continuing to promote and ensure engagement with both virtual work experience and university linked opportunities, raising aspirations and ensuring that your child is able to make a well informed decision about their post 18 destination.

To avoid other year group bubbles students are being asked to arrive at 8:45am for an 8:50am start. Your child should enter the site via the side gate, which they have access to using their lanyard. If your child arrives early then they will be able to wait in the Sixth Form common room, although we ask them to arrive as close to 8:50am as possible to avoid other year groups coming onto site. On the days allocated for year 12 registration, a large number of the year group have a lesson during period 1. Should a student not have a first lesson, they are still to attend, using the study facilities until their first lesson of the day. The first session will take place from 8:50am-9:10am on Wednesday 6th January, which is the first day back for students.

I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas.

Yours sincerely

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