

Be Your Best Self

16th December 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 9 Parents' Evening

We hope this finds you well?

During our current way of working due to Covid-19 we are very keen to re-engage with parents at calendared parents' evening using video calls. Our recent experiences with the 'online' parents' evenings have proven this approach to be a highly effective method of communication which removed some of the decades old frustrations of being unable to book appointments, schedules running over time and the lack of privacy when speaking to school staff.

Our Parents' Evenings during the 2021/22 academic year will be entirely by video appointment call. In order to offer a wider opportunity for parents to make appointments, this year we would like to invite you to participate on **Wednesday 19th January 2022** and **Thursday 20th January 2022 3:30pm - 7:30pm**.

The parents' evenings will be hosted by our intuitive and easy to use online appointment booking system, enabling you to reserve specific time-slots with teachers. This allows you to choose your own appointment times with teachers, and you will receive an email confirming your appointments. Appointments will be 4 minutes in duration.

Please note that not all teachers will be available on both evenings, and you will need to check availability for each member of staff individually.

The booking period opens on **11th January 2022 at 4pm** and will close on **16th January 2022 at 23:55pm**. In order for teachers to prepare, please make your appointments at your earliest convenience.



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Booking your appointments

Please visit <https://tadcaster.schoolcloud.co.uk> to book your appointments. You will need to login with the following information:

Parent name and email address, student's first Name, surname and date of birth.

Below is a link which may be useful to view:

<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-vid-eo-call>

If you feel you may have any issues accessing the Parents' Evening system please contact Mr Dunphy (m.dunphy@tgs.starmat.uk).

Parents' evenings remain an invaluable opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their subject teachers directly and your attendance is vital in supporting this. This is an exciting development for us all, so can I thank you in advance for your forbearance if any issues arise which are beyond our reasonable control. I hope the opportunity to facilitate high quality conversations with our teaching staff about your child's progress and wellbeing in such an important year is beneficial.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr M Dunphy
Assistant Headteacher

Mrs C Kenny
Year 9 Year Leader