



Partnership of Greenacre & Walderslade

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Dear Parents/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to update you on some important changes we are implementing, in order to raise academic standards here at PGW Sixth Form.

As you know, our goal is to provide your children with the highest quality education possible, to support students at PGW to achieve their full potential and increase the life chances of all who attend here. With this in mind, we have reviewed our current procedures and identified areas where we can make some improvements.

One of the key changes that we are making is to remove SfL (Skills for Life) lessons from our taught curriculum and to re-establish Tutor Time for all students. Tutor Time has been redesigned to make it a purposeful and beneficial session for all students of PGW, with a different focus on each day of the week. During this time, they will cover the useful and statutory content previously taught in SfL lessons such as: CV writing, UCAS and Apprenticeship applications, health (mental, physical, sexual etc) and effective study habits, to name a few. The aim of Tutor Time is to support our students with future ambitions, applications and their academic outcomes by developing the skills they need to succeed at university and in their future careers. All students are expected to attend Tutor Time, which runs from 8:30-9:00am, each day.

With this, we have made some adjustments to our 'Home Study' incentive scheme. This incentive for good attitude to learning, attendance and academic progress remains in -place, largely in its current format, except that students will need to attend Tutor Time each day before they are able to work independently on their coursework. Qualifying students may work in a setting of their choosing during their 'Independent Study' time, whether this is at home or elsewhere in the school building. Qualifying students will be granted the freedom to work independently during their study periods and will only be required in school for Tutor Time and their timetabled (taught) curriculum lessons.

Finally, we are committed to ensuring that all students have access to the resources and support they need to succeed. Going forwards we are looking to enhance PGW student life by providing additional academic support where necessary, as well as offering extra-curricular activities and enrichment opportunities to help your child develop their skills and interests outside of the classroom.

We believe that these changes will help us to raise standards and provide your child with the best possible education. We are committed to working in partnership with you and your child to achieve this goal and thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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