

Dear Parents/Carers,

Further to my letter about Parents' Evening I would like to update you on a number of issues.

Mrs Revitt unfortunately will no longer be attending Parents' Evening due to a bereavement, but will be in contact on her return to school with information regarding your child's progress and attainment.

In Mr Ewan's absence Adam Crawte, the DRET lead for History, who has been teaching the subject at CRA in recent weeks will be taking appointments from 5.15pm. Students have been arranging times with their Tutors for appointments with him. Miss Mistry and Mr Gibson will be available to discuss Maths and the progress your son or daughter has made.

Whilst the formal start of Parents' Evening is 5pm I would like to take the opportunity to speak to you all at 4.45pm regarding the number of option choices your son/daughter has taken and the way forward for Key Stage 4.

When the Government reformed the GCSE qualifications, the content for the core subjects of Maths, English and Science was increased and made more challenging. As a result the majority of schools decided to increase the amount of curriculum time allocated to these subjects and reduce the number of options to three.

I believe this is a sensible course and therefore from September 2019, Year 10 students will take just three options over two years but will have more time to spend on their core subjects. Therefore all current Year 9 students will need to choose just three of their four current option subjects to take forward into Year 10.

Curriculum booklets and option forms and the required timeline will be available for collection on Thursday or if you are unable to attend they will be handed to your child soon after.

I look forward to explaining the rationale behind this decision in greater detail at Thursday's meeting.

Yours Sincerely,

Sue Jones
Principal
Charles Read Academy