

Headteacher: Mr M Fenwick

9th January 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

Year 8 Subject Parents' Evening

We have received overwhelmingly positive feedback from you about our virtual parents' evenings over the last three years. Over 90% of our parents/carers who completed our feedback wanted this system to remain in place. To support these events we supplemented our opportunities for you to engage with us as part of our parental journey.

This event will take place on **Tuesday 23rd January 2024** with appointments starting from 3:30pm. We very much hope that you will be able to join us, along with your child. You will meet your subject teachers to discuss your child's progress. You will also find out how to further assist your child throughout this crucial year.

The school will be using the same system as in previous years, allowing you to easily book your online appointments. This allows you to choose your own appointment times with teachers and you will receive an email confirming your bookings.

Appointments are now open and will close on **Tuesday 23rd January 2024** at 3:30pm. Please visit https://stokesley.schoolcloud.co.uk and log in with the required information to book your appointments. A short guide on how to make appointments and additional support for set up of video calls can be found on our website (see link below):

How to attend appointments over video call - SchoolCloud Parents' Meetings

We fully appreciate that some of our parents/carers may wish to receive support in accessing your appointments and may struggle with access to an internet connection. To support you with this, we can offer you assistance within school. You will still attend your appointment virtually, but you may do so by using one of the school computers with the assistance of our IT team. If you would like to access this support, please email admin@stk.arete.uk directly and a member of the team will contact you.

In order to make the consultation as effective as possible, please ensure your child attends each meeting with you, bringing along a pen or electronic device to record any action points given. You should also remember to have your child's planner which will contain a copy of their latest academic report. **Each appointment will last 4 minutes**. The video call will automatically end at this point, this allows appointments not to run over for the next parent/carer who will be waiting.

If you have any concerns about making virtual appointments or require any further support with bookings please contact admin@stk.arete.uk. If you have any queries regarding anything else covered in this letter, please contact our Head of Year 8, Mr N Wilson, on nwilson@stk.arete.uk or myself on idarbyshire@stk.arete.uk.

Yours faithfully

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