



13 January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers of Years 7, 8 and 9,

As I am sure you are aware, we have been delivering live teaching to our Years 11 and 13 since the start of term a week ago. It has been great to see these students along with a number of Critical Worker children too.

However, as mentioned previously, we now want to expand our provision to include some online assemblies for Years 7 to Year 9. Please see the letter I sent you on Monday 11 January for further details - you can read it [here](#). The first assemblies will take place on Friday 15 January at the time indicated below. All students in Years 7, 8 and 9 have had invitations to the assemblies sent to their school email address.

Assemblies, Friday 15 January, on Teams

Year 7 – 11:30am

Year 8 – 11:50am

Year 9 – 12:10pm

I stress the importance of you and your child now carefully reading the Microsoft Teams Guidance in conjunction with the Students' Behaviour Guide for Online Meetings. These can all be found on our website [here](#).

If you are unable to access your Online Sessions then please communicate with your teacher through Show My Homework, Google Classroom or email. If for any reason the timetabled sessions cannot take place (e.g. due to staff illness) this will be communicated to students and parents/carers.

This new system will no doubt take some getting used to, but we are sure that with time it will become familiar and be a powerful tool to support you during the Academy closure and beyond.

Students and parents/carers should be aware that all lessons and interactions within the program/app are recorded. We will be delighted to reward positive participation through the Academy points system likewise any misbehaviour or misuse of the system will be followed up and may result in removal from the Online Sessions. Thank you once again for your continued support and understanding in this very challenging time.

Yours sincerely,

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