

Our ref JD/SC

12<sup>th</sup> March 18

Dear Parent/Carer,

You may be aware that we have decided to change your child's tutor group. This is a strategy that has been implemented successfully with year 11, since before Christmas.

Having a successful home – school partnership is extremely important to Tanfield School. We recognise that the quality of this partnership will play a crucial part in the support your child receives to reach their academic potential and maintain a strong sense of well – being.

To help your child prepare for their GCSEs, we have analysed the year 10 data to identify a subject that your child would benefit having more time in. By placing them in this subject area for form time, we are giving them an extra 2 hours and 40 minutes of learning time. The subjects have deliberately been chosen, as they have a coursework element to them. We believe that by giving these subjects more time now, we will be able to use the gained time in year 11, if we need it, for subjects that are 100% exam. This will reduce the amount of work and stress that students have in their final year.

Students in these groups will get extra tuition each morning and also during their PSHE time on a Monday period 5.

We truly believe that our students are capable of achieving great things but this will only happen with hard work. We know that those students who are successful in other schools, are not only doing extra sessions in school, but are also doing extra work at home. Therefore, we hope you will encourage your child to do all of their homework.

Thank you for your continued support,



S.Clough  
Headteacher