

## **Achieving Excellence**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## ONLINE Mid-Year Reviews – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January or Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (4:30pm – 6:30pm)

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January or Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January is the annual opportunity to meet with tutors. This year we are offering Mid-Year Reviews which are being held online. This is an essential opportunity to meet with your child's tutor to discuss your child's current progress and even more importantly, to plan how your child can do even better in the second half of the year. (*Please note, for those students in Year 9, information about the Options process will follow after these Reviews.*)

As part of our regular reporting to parents/carers you will have received, or will shortly receive, your child's Progress Report, indicating the progress they made in the autumn term against their targets. With this in mind, before the meeting, your child will be supported by their tutor to reflect on their Progress Report and create two 'Academic Targets' and a 'Personal Challenge'. Please discuss these targets with your child when they bring them home. During the meeting there will be an opportunity to discuss how well your child is engaging and progressing in lessons. The 'Academic Targets' and 'Personal Challenge' will provide a focus for the key areas of development over the coming term.

## Booking your appointment(s) – What you need to do now

The school has an online booking system for appointments. This allows you to choose your own appointment time with the form tutor(s) on the 19<sup>th</sup> January or 26<sup>th</sup> January. You will receive an email confirming your appointment(s). At any time from the point of booking, it will be possible to add a second parent/carer so that you can join from different locations and devices.

Please visit <a href="https://thecountyleftwich.parentseveningsystem.co.uk">https://thecountyleftwich.parentseveningsystem.co.uk</a> to book your appointments. Appointments can be made from 3.20pm on Monday 10th January 2022. If you have any problems



booking an appointment using this system, please contact Mr Ralph, Curriculum Support Manager, at school on 01606 333311 or via email, aralph@leftwichhigh.com

(If you find that your child's details aren't initially recognised, try using their preferred name as used in school. If the system doesn't recognise your parent details then try typing the first letter of your forename eg. J Smith rather than John Smith.)

## **Mid-Year Review Appointments**

The meetings with tutors will last for approximately 7 minutes in order that all students and parents/carers can be accommodated within the evenings. Please note that it is important that you are ready to begin your appointment ahead of the allotted slot because the system timer will begin at the exact time of the booking. If you are 2 minutes late you will have 2 minutes less of the appointment. There will be a visible countdown timer to show when the meeting will finish. Should you need additional time, a follow up phone call can be arranged with the tutor.

Students are expected to join the Mid-Year Review appointment wherever possible, sitting at the same device with a parent/carer. Mobile phones, tablets and computers/laptops can all be used. The minimum requirement is a microphone, though face to face conversations with video will be most typical. You will just need to log on to the booking system and join the meeting at the allotted time.

Please follow this link for an explanation of how the meeting will work: <a href="https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call">https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call</a>. We will resend details nearer the time, Testing indicates that it is very user-friendly and straight forward to use.

We look forward to these meetings which are so important to your child(ren)'s education.

Yours faithfully,

Mr R Warburton Deputy Principal

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