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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Changes to the Curriculum**

I would like to advise you of the changes taking place to the curriculum in the 2018-19 academic year. The current Religion and Philosophy core provision will be replaced by Ethics and Beliefs and P.S.H.E. (Personal, Social, and Health Education).

From September all year groups will be allocated **ONE** Ethics and Beliefs core lesson per fortnight and **ONE** P.S.H.E lesson per fortnight. This will be in addition to any option classes students have also chosen.

Both of these subjects are mandatory under government guidelines and will be replacing the existing extended tutor period and short course Religion and Philosophy G.C.S.E. exam, which students currently study.

This means that the current Year 9 students will **no longer be expected to sit an exam** in Religion and Philosophy at the end of Year 10.

These lessons will cover a range of key issues from Mental Health and Wellbeing and Financial literacy to Sex and Relationship Education.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully



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