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29 March 2016

Dear Parent / Carer

**Year 10 Target Setting evening on Wednesday 20 April 2016
6.30pm - 7.30pm in Key Stage 3 Diner**

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to visit the school on 20 April, for a short presentation to explain how the school will be working with Year 10 students to engage them in target setting for their GCSE courses, and ensuring that they are fully motivated and able to secure the highest GCSE outcomes possible.

In light of changes to GCSEs and expected outcomes for students in 2017, we are improving the way in which we set targets for students and feel strongly that they should play a greater role in defining those targets whilst maintaining high expectations for all.

In addition, we have spent a considerable amount of time reviewing the research carried out by Professor Carol Dweck into the importance of a Growth Mindset and how this work consequently impacts on the way in which we set targets with students.

The evening will provide an opportunity for you to engage in this research and support your son/daughter in setting meaningful and aspirational GCSE targets. Where possible please bring your son/daughter along with you.

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



Ms K Nicholson
Deputy Headteacher