



1 May 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians

I hope this letter finds you well.

Thank you for your engagement with the recent Year 10 Parents' Consultation Evening.

I am writing to explain the transition which is currently happening in school to support Year 10 pupils into Senior Year (Year 11). This process is carefully planned by the College Leaders and our Curriculum and Assessment Team. We want to ensure that Year 10 are fully prepared for the year ahead. We need them to have the right attitude and outlook to meet their potential at the end of Year 11. We want to have all of this in place well before September so that they can hit the ground running for what will be the most important year of their education so far.

Here are a few points and key dates to please read through:

1. Attendance

We know there is a direct correlation between days attended in Year 11 and examination outcomes. Simply put, pupils with higher attendance get better GCSE grades. Please support your child in absolutely prioritising their attendance in school every day from now onwards.

2. Key dates

- Tie ceremony (see below): 15 June 2026
- Mock examinations: 16 June to 26 June 2026
- Work Experience: 29 June to 3 July 2026
- Reteach Week: 6 July to 10 July 2026
- Mock examination results and reports home: 13 July 2026

3. Tie ceremony

As part of our LGA College traditions, Year 10 will take part in a Senior Year Tie Ceremony. This will be held on Monday 15 June. This Ceremony marks their official welcome into Senior Year and their step up to Year 11. From this point forward they will be looked after academically and pastorally by the Senior Year Team.

4. Form tutors

In order to maximise the amount of time and support that pupils have for their Maths curriculum, pupils in Year 11 have the Maths Team as their Form Tutors. This allows for increased practice, feedback and a 'little and often' approach which we know to be effective for results. The Maths Team are experienced Form Tutors and will also offer the pastoral support pupils need to be successful in Year 11.



5. Interventions

We will write to you again in September to explain the schedule of interventions which will be on offer to pupils in Year 11. We expect pupils to engage in these sessions, some of which take place after school. They are highly tailored to the individual needs of each pupil, are always taught by subject specialists and we know have a significant impact on pupil outcomes.

We look forward to celebrating the transition of Year 10 into Senior Year and know they will perform brilliantly as a cohort next academic year. We are committed to working in partnership with families to ensure they are well-supported and challenged.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mrs Brookes".

Mrs Brookes
Principal