

16th January 2026

RE: Female Attendance Support

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to you as part of our ongoing commitment to supporting students' wellbeing and attendance at school.

As your daughter is now in Year 10, we recognise that this can be a particularly challenging stage of her education. The increased academic demands, early exam preparation, and social pressures can sometimes feel overwhelming, and for some students this can have an impact on their attendance.

Following a meeting with students on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January, we discussed the idea of introducing a female-only attendance support group, led by Mrs Chester (Assistant Head – Attendance) and Mr McIntock (Year 10 Head of Year). The purpose of this group is to provide a safe, supportive space during a particularly difficult part of your child's school journey, where students can feel listened to, encouraged, and supported.

During these discussions, we explored personalised support and incentive strategies that could help improve attendance in a way that feels manageable and positive for each student. These may include:

- Individual attendance targets
- Personalised incentives
- Regular check-ins with trusted staff
- Emotional and wellbeing support during challenging periods of the school day

We would like to reassure you that this approach is not about punishment, but about understanding individual barriers and working together to help your daughter feel confident and supported in attending school regularly.

Regular attendance is extremely important, particularly in Year 10, as it helps students:

- Keep up with learning and exam preparation
- Build confidence and resilience
- Maintain routines that support mental wellbeing
- Achieve their full academic potential



We truly value your support and partnership in this process, and we believe that by working together, we can help your daughter navigate this challenging year successfully.

If you have any questions, concerns, or would like to discuss the support in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to help.

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Yours sincerely



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