Winterton Community Academy



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we progress through the final half term of the school year, we also approach the final data collection and reports for pupils in year seven. This will enable us to once again determine the extent to which your child has made progress across the curriculum, using both formative and summative assessment methods.

This is also a very busy time of year as we work on the curriculum and timetable for September 2024. During this academic year, we have been fortunate to be in a position where we can accommodate five teaching groups. This has supported pupils as they have settled into life at Winterton Community Academy and also with the expectations around their curriculum.

However, as of September, we will be moving from the five teaching groups that are currently in place for year seven, to four teaching groups as they move into year eight. This will mean that there is to be a reorganisation of the teaching groups.

It is important to recognise that to support decisions regarding the placement of pupils in the groups, we will once again be using a combination of the SATs data and our own assessment data. All decisions will be relative to other pupils and based on current attainment and progress in relation to their starting points.

There may be a degree of anxiety due to this, and so I wish to reassure you that all decisions are based on what we believe to be in the best interests of all the pupils, using our professional judgement and based on evidence. Pupils in each group will be challenged and supported to maximise their potential.

Pupils will be informed before the end of the current academic year as to which groups and sets they will be in, so that there is a transparency and awareness, supporting their preparation for September.

Should you wish to discuss this further, please contact me via email: Featherstone.r@wintertonca.com

Yours sincerely,

Mr R Featherstone Deputy Headteacher

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