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**Dear Parent/Carer** 

# S5/6 Steps to Success Parents Meeting – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022

Following the second tracking report that our S5/6 learners and families are due to receive on week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> November, we are now delighted to share some information with you about our upcoming targeted Steps to Success Parents Meeting which is due to take place in the school on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

During this evening you may have an opportunity to attend some appointments with class teachers – these appointments will have been targeted based upon your young person's performance in the subject area. There will also be an opportunity for you to attend some workshops which we hope will be useful as you support your young person during this very important year at school.

# WHY AM I ONLY ABLE TO SEE SOME TEACHERS?

This event is for S4, S5 and S6 students therefore we target the individual appointments with class teachers on a needs basis. If your child has been given either a grade D or a No Award in a subject, you will be invited to make an individual appointment with their class teacher. The purpose of this appointment is to allow the teacher(s) to discuss the next steps for learning to help support an improvement in attainment within that subject area.

If your child has received a grade C or above, you will NOT be able to see that class teacher on this occasion.

We are pleased however to remind you that the full S5/6 parents meeting will take place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February where you will be able to meet with all of your young person's teachers at this point.

# WHAT WORKSHOPS ARE RUNNING FOR ME TO ATTEND?

During the course of the evening a number of workshops will run which we hope that families will find beneficial. The workshops will focus on study skills, top tips for coping with exam stress at home and how we prepare our young people for college/university and apprenticeship applications. These workshops will run during the evening and we will provide timings nearer to the 1<sup>st</sup> of December so that you can decide if you wish to attend these that evening. These workshops are open to ALL families in S5 and S6, unlike the targeted one-to-one appointments with class teachers.







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## HOW ARE APPOINTMENTS MADE?

Please visit <u>https://parents-booking.co.uk/hyndlandsecondary</u> to open the booking site, enter some details about you and your young person and use the system to make appointments with the teacher(s) that have asked to see you on that evening.

The booking system will go live during the week of 21<sup>st</sup> November to make appointments – you will receive a separate email to let you know when the system is open. A more detailed "how-to-guide" is available on the school website for you to refer to – this can be found under the 'our school section' and 'parents meetings' sub-section or via the following link:

http://www.hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk/Calendar/Calendar.aspx?SectionId=59173b0a-b09d-4b7c-a680-8c1828a3f6ba

## WHERE DO PARENTS/CARERS START OFF?

You will be met at the main door at the Lauderdale Building and invited to sign in. If required, directions will be given to your first appointment.

# HOW LONG DO PARENTS HAVE WITH EACH TEACHER?

Five minutes. This is not very long, especially if matters of concern arise. However we wish to hold as many interviews as possible in the limited time available. We ask that teachers and parents are as strict as possible in sticking to the timetable.

Should a further interview be required, arrangements for this can be made with Pastoral Care.

#### WHERE ARE THE INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS HELD?

Two or three teachers are allocated to each classroom in the Lauderdale building. This is done in order to provide adequate privacy, and at the same time, to keep travelling distances between appointments to a minimum! You are provided with a list of teachers and rooms, and teachers' names are posted outside the appropriate room. Workshops will also be delivered in the Lauderdale building – locations of these will be provided upon arrival at the school.

#### CAN PARENTS/CARERS BRING THEIR CHILDREN?

Yes, if the parents so wish. However, in that case, you are asked to ensure that he/she remains under your supervision.

# WILL THERE BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR CHILD'S PASTORAL CARE TEACHER?

Similar to the appointments with class teacher(s), we will be targeting these to particular young people. If you are being asked to attend an appointment, this will appear on the booking system. Remember, if you are not targeted for this appointment, you will have an opportunity to meet them in February.







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We look forward to seeing you in school on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December. If you have any matters which you wish to clarify before this date please do not hesitate to contact your young person's Pastoral Care teacher in the first instance.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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