



The Manchester Grammar School

January 2012

To the parents of all boys in Lower School, Middle School and Sixth Form,

Form Tutors' Day: Thursday 9 February 2012

This year's Form Tutors' Day is to be held on the 9 February and we hope that parents will once again find it a useful and informative day.

For parents new to the school, we should explain that Form Tutors' Day is quite different from Parents' Evenings, where the focus is on their individual academic subjects. Form Tutors' Day deals with your son's wider academic, pastoral and co-curricular development and the focus will depend on your son's age – from how well he has settled in to the school at Year 7 level, to public examinations and his plans for the future at the top end of the School. Other issues might include wider reading and personal study, subject choices, attendance and punctuality, his relationships with others, pastoral matters, revision methods and any other matters particular to your son. In addition, as last year, we expect to have staff available to give information and advice on such things as the university applications process, careers and co-curricular activities.

There will be no teaching for boys in Years 7 to 13 on this day, but form tutors will be available throughout the school day from 9 am to 3.45 pm to see you and your son. Your son will make an appointment with the form tutor (10 minutes for Years 7-11 and 20 minutes for the Sixth Form) at a time convenient to you, to discuss all aspects of his progress. There is the opportunity to pre-book facilities for Year 7 and Year 8 boys to stay in school should child-care arrangements prove problematic.

We should be grateful if you would fill in the slip below and return it to your son's form tutor as soon as possible and **by Monday 23 January** at the latest. Your son's form tutor will then make an appointment with your son, who will let you know the exact time – if you have not heard by Friday 3 February, please contact your son's form tutor by telephone or email.

We hope that the Form Tutors' Day will once again prove helpful to you in keeping you informed about your son's progress and developing a dialogue with your son's form tutor about his progress through the school.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely

Dr Pat Squires
Pastoral Deputy Head

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Please return to your son's form tutor

Son's name..... Form.....
Please delete as appropriate:

I/We shall/shall not be attending the Form Tutor Day on Thursday 9 February.

I should prefer an appointment in **early morning/middle of the day/afternoon.**

(Years 7/8 only) I **would/would not** like my son to be supervised in school during the rest of the day.

Signed.....