



# Dronfield Henry Fanshawe School

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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Year 13 Parents and Carers' Consultation Evening – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 4pm – 6.30pm**

Following parent, carer, student and staff feedback, our year 13 Parents and Carers Consultation Evening will be held virtually using the Online Booking System SchoolCloud. From **7am Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024** you will be able to book parent/carers' evening appointments by logging on at <https://dronfieldhenryfanshawe.schoolcloud.co.uk> and following the instructions. We use this online system in response to DHFS parents, carers and teachers who all want to be able to book appointments with each other without relying solely on the child to do this.

Due to logistical restrictions, appointments are arranged on a first come, first-served basis. Regrettably, like most secondary schools, capacity does not allow for each teacher to see every student and their parent or carer that they teach. In addition, please allow our teachers to be succinct as the software will automatically end each appointment **after ten minutes** this will allow every booking to be completed as per schedule. Guidance on how to book the appointments can be found below. Should you have any issues logging into our booking service, please contact Mrs M. Hayes on [mhayes@dhfs.uk](mailto:mhayes@dhfs.uk). Please also find a help-guide on page 3 of this letter.

If you receive an appointment from one of your child's teachers or the House Progress Leader, it means that your child has been prioritised because of concerns that your child is at risk of underachievement. Please ensure attendance at this meeting with this teacher. To prepare for the evening, we would ask parents and carers to engage in a reflection activity with their child. This will allow you to actively encourage participation in the teacher discussion, as we ask each student to be able to assess their own learning strengths and challenges. This may include work scrutiny where class and homework tasks are viewed and assessed for progress and effort.

We are keen that Parent and Carer Consultation evenings work well for everyone. Where families have specific individual needs, please contact Mr Pickles to discuss how we can help you. We will do everything possible and practicable to help parents and carers engage in the consultation evenings.

Please also see our support booklets, which are available online via our website.

We now have the facility to join two parents/carers into our parent/carer evening video appointment software. This may be particularly useful where one parent/carer is working away, for example, as it allows them to access the meeting over the internet. A help guide on how to use this facility is attached.

We are also offering a Cyber-Café for parents/carers who may have Wi-Fi issues at home. Within the Café, we can support you with COVID-19 secure Wi-Fi access, in order to allow the evening to be completed in school. This facility must be booked in advance via Mr Pickles on [kpickles@dhfs.uk](mailto:kpickles@dhfs.uk).

Yours sincerely,

Mr K. Pickles

Assistant Headteacher

