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Dear Parent / Carer

Much is changing in education at the moment, with new GCSEs, a new grading system, new A levels and new school measures. Staff training this year has already focused heavily on these challenges but due to the enormity of the changes I have applied to hold an additional INSET day on **Monday 5 December 2016**, which means that school will be closed to all students on this date.

Following the recent release of significant information and materials from the DfE and the Examination Boards, we will be providing further training for teaching and support staff alike on these developments. All students, in all year groups, will benefit considerably from this additional staff training.

If you would like to find out more about the new changes please join us for our Parent Forum on Tuesday 22 November 2016 at 7.00 pm in the school hall. I will be sending out a summary of the main changes to all parents over the next few weeks, for your information.

Apologies for any inconvenience this causes you. Thank you for your understanding and on-going support as we continue to work in partnership.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Paley Head of School

