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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Parents' Consultation Evening Monday 4 February 2013

I am writing to invite you to meet your son's/daughter's subject teachers and to discuss his/her progress. This will also be an opportunity to discuss with staff the suitability of chosen courses for post-14 options.

Members of staff will be present from 4.30pm to 7.00pm on Monday 4 February. For this Parents' Evening, we are using our **on-line booking system**. Once you have decided which teachers you wish to see, please use the instructions on the next page to access the system. We hope that this will make the process easier for you.

If you are unable to access or use the online system, please ask your son/daughter to contact Sam Bray in Student Reception with the names of the subject teachers you would like to see. Alternatively, you can contact Sam Bray yourself on 01480 375700 Ext. 5702 and she will make appointments for you. If you are unable to make an appointment with a teacher or teachers because there are no available slots, please contact the teacher directly via e-mail or telephone to discuss your child's progress.

In the past staff have been uncertain whether parents are present during the evening. To solve this, on arrival please report to the **History Area**, in **Middle School** and tick off your name on the sign-in lists. There will also be a notice indicating if any teachers are absent through illness.

Keeping moving

You may make up to eight, 5 minute appointments, with a **5-minute gap** in between to allow for movement around the buildings. It would be much appreciated if teachers and parents could keep their conversations concise so that the schedule can be followed as closely as possible. At the same time I would ask everybody to be as co-operative, understanding and patient as possible. If a serious concern emerges during a conversation, a teacher will always be pleased to arrange to see you on a separate occasion to examine the issue in greater depth. Mr Heath, Assistant Principal, will also be available if you wish to discuss a particular issue with him. There will also be a parental questionnaire available that we would like you to complete on the night.

Finding your way

The Middle School will be clearly signposted to guide you to the interview rooms. A map of the Middle School, (to help you find the rooms in which the teachers will be available to meet you), can be found on page 19 of the student planner.

I hope that you will be able to meet your son/daughter's teachers in order to celebrate their success and/or identify any problems which may be solved through early action.

Please confirm your intention to attend by either emailing sab@hinchbk.cambs.sch.uk or by sending the reply slip below to Sam Bray in Student Reception.

Yours faithfully

Mr Dewar

Key Stage 3 Manager

Year 9 Parents' Evening Reply Slip

Please return to Sam Bray in Student Reception by Friday 25 January 2013.
Student's name: Form:
I/we will/will not be attending the year 9 Parents' Consultation Evening on the 4 February 2013
Signature:
For the attention of Sam Bray
On-line Booking System
To log onto the system, please go to the school website www.Hinchingbrookeschool.net
And click on the link for Year 9 parents' evening or enter https://parents-booking.netmedia.co.uk/hinchingbrooke
then
Click on <i>Please Enter Your Details Here</i>
Fill in the boxes on the pop up. When done press <i>Save</i>
Next
Click on Year 9 Parents' Evening and follow the instructions on the page to make appointments with your son/daughters teachers
On the pop up add what, if anything, you wish to discuss and click on <i>Make Booking</i> . If you do not want to add anything just click on <i>Make Booking</i>
If you wish to cancel a booking click on the relevant box then click on the <i>Cancel A Booking</i> at the top of the page
When you have finished making all of your appointments you can either email or print them.
Ensure you enable <i>Allow Pop-ups</i>
Once completed close the window.

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If you have any problems please contact the school either by phone on **01480 375700 Ext 5702** or email <u>parentevenings@hinchbk.cambs.sch.uk</u> and we will get back to you.