

NWC/jr
17 February 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Timetable changes affecting Year 7 and 8 after February half term 2022

We are writing to inform you that after half term, there will be some changes to your child's timetable due to members of staff going on or returning from maternity leave and a colleague who is suffering from long term illness.

For Year 7 students only, the staffing changes mentioned above mean that there will be a timetable change affecting the number of hours of study for Music and Art. Unfortunately due to long term staff illness, we have had to reduce the number of hours of Music lessons your child is receiving from 2 to 1 and we will be replacing this with an additional hour of Art. This will enable them to continue to study a broad and balanced curriculum and is within our staffing capacity.

Whilst this is undesirable, we feel it is preferable to make these changes so that your child(ren) can be taught Music by a subject specialist, rather than have regular cover lessons.

For all Year 7 and 8 students, as part of this retimetabling, there will be some changes to your child(ren)'s teachers as well as the times of lessons of other subjects so we will reissue timetables after the holiday to all students. Please discuss these changes with your child and ensure they have updated their timetable in their planner.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact your child's tutor, DOPA or myself should you prefer.

Yours faithfully

Mrs N Cowan
Deputy Headteacher