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Dear Families

I would like to update you about some important curriculum changes which will take place in January 2019, when we return to school after the Christmas holiday.

In September, we were served with a Financial Notice to Improve by the Department of Education. This requires us to provide evidence of using school resource management tools and Integrated Financial Curriculum Planning to improve the school's financial position.

We have decided to re-timetable the curriculum with effect from 7 January 2019. This may cause some minor disruption to students, but we have endeavoured to ensure that exam classes take priority and are taught by the same teachers. Upper school students may find that their timetable remains the same. We have also been able to reduce split teaching- that is the same class being taught by different teachers, which improves consistency in subject delivery.

All students will be given their new timetables during the last week of term. Any students requiring support with this transition will be given their timetables earlier.

Altering the timetable mid-year is not a decision we have taken lightly, but the savings it will make through increased efficiency are vital to this year's budget.

These savings are possible through carefully redeploying staff, not replacing three members of staff who will leave at the end of this term and by realigning our Year 7 year-group cohort into class sizes which are equal to our other year groups. Please note that Year 7 tutor groups will remain the same in order to ensure consistency in pastoral care.

With the careful planning that has gone into this new curriculum, I am confident that our students will not notice any significant change in their weekly teaching and will adapt quickly to any adjustments.

Should you wish to discuss the new curriculum further, I am happy to discuss this at my weekly Headteacher surgeries which are held every Thursday from 5.00-6.00pm. Please contact my PA at kbradstreet@teddingtonschool.org if you would like to set up an appointment.

I would like to add that I have truly appreciated your support during this term.

Yours sincerely

Ms Pacey
Headteacher

