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RE: Year 9 Parents' Evening 2023

Dear Year 9 Parents & Carers,

I am writing to seek your views regarding the format of Y9 Parents' Evening which is due to take place on Wednesday 18th January this academic year. Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic parents' evenings at Urmston Grammar have been held almost exclusively online using the platform 'SchoolCloud'. Though the need to hold such events virtually has subsided from a public health perspective, for many parents and carers hosting parents evening online had a range of advantages including fitting into busy family schedules more easily. Conversely some parents expressed views of feeling disconnected from school when such conversations with teachers take place on a screen rather than in person.

In order to help decide whether Year 9 Parents' Evening should take place face to face in school or virtually online I would request you complete this brief online form <u>HERE</u> by Friday 16th September to share your views.

We will be surveying parents/carers and teachers from different year groups separately and are open to hosting parents evening face to face for some year groups and virtually for others depending on the feedback we receive. If you have more than one child at Urmston Grammar please ensure you complete separate forms sent out in each letter.

I will write again to inform you of the decision made regarding Year 9 Parents' Evening in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Mr T Kennedy-Fowler Deputy Headteacher

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