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7th March 2023

RE: Year 10 Virtual Parents' Evening

Dear Year 10 Parents and Carers,

I am writing to invite you to attend our Virtual Parents' Evening taking place from **4.30-7.30pm on Wednesday 22nd March**. This is an important event as it gives you the opportunity to discuss your son/daughter's progress with teachers across their range of subjects.

Following consultation with parents, carers and teachers at the start of this academic year, this event will take place virtually using an electronic device such as a smart phone, tablet or computer. Please use the following link to book your appointments: <u>https://urmstongrammar.schoolcloud.co.uk</u>. A short guide on how to add appointments is included at the end of this letter.

Further details regarding this event are outlined as follows:

- You can log in and book appointments from **9.00am on Friday 17th March**.
- The last opportunity to book an appointment will be **Midnight on Tuesday 21st March**. This allows teaching staff time on Wednesday to prepare for the evening. If you miss this deadline please contact individual teaching staff via the school office to see if scheduling an appointment is possible.
- Appointments will be a maximum of 5 minutes long. There will be a countdown timer on your screen and the appointment will end automatically at this time. As such it is important that discussions have reached their conclusion at this point.
- We strongly encourage your son/daughter to attend each virtual appointment along with at least one parent or carer.
- On the evening, information on how to log in and conduct virtual meetings can be found via the link here: https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call

I am hopeful you will be able to meet with a range of teachers to get an accurate overview of how your son/daughter is progressing. Should you require an appointment with myself please contact the school office and this can be arranged.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss J Smith Pastoral Leader – Year 10

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Parents' Guide for Booking Appointments

Browse to https://urmstongrammar.schoolcloud.co.uk/



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Step 4: Choose Teachers

If you chose the automatic booking mode, drag the sliders at the top of the screen to indicate the earliest and latest you can attend. Select the teachers you'd like to book appointments with. A green tick indicates they're selected. To de-select, click on their name.

ie following appointments have been reserved for two minutes. If you're happy with them, please choose e Accept button at the bottom.					
	Teacher	Student	Subject	Room	
17:10	Mr J Sinclair	Ben	English	E6	
17:25	Mrs D Mumford	Ben	Mathematics	M2	
17:45	Dr R Monamara	Andrew	French	L4	

Step 5a (Automatic): Book Appointments

If you chose the automatic booking mode, you'll see provisional appointments which are held for 2 minutes. To keep them, choose Accept at the bottom left. If it wasn't possible to book every selected teacher during the times you are able to attend, you can either adjust the teachers you wish to meet with and try again, or switch to manual booking mode (Step 5b).

	Mr J Brown SENCO (A2)	Miss B Patel Class 10E (H3)	Mrs A Wheeler Class 11A (L1)
	Ben	Andrew	Ben
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16:30		 	
16:40			
16:50	+		+
17:00	T		+

Step 5b (Manual): Book Appointments

Click any of the green cells to make an appointment. Blue cells signify where you already have an appointment. Grey cells are unavailable.

To change an appointment, delete the original by hovering over the blue box and clicking *Delete*. Then choose an alternate time.

You can optionally leave a message for the teacher to say what you'd like to discuss, or raise anything beforehand.

Once you're finished booking all appointments, at the top of the page in the alert box, press *click here* to finish the booking process.

Step 6: Finished

All your bookings now appear on the My Bookings page. An email confirmation has been sent and you can also print appointments by pressing *Print*. Click *Subscribe to Calendar* to add these and any future bookings to your calendar. To change your appointments, click on *Amend Bookings*.