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Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted to inform you that Houlton School will now be holding our Parents' Evenings face to face.

We believe that building strong, personal connections between school and home is key to supporting every student's success. Meeting in person allows us to get to know our parents and carers better and ensures that our school remains a welcoming and inclusive community where we work together for the benefit of all our young people.

Face-to-face meetings will also help to strengthen relationships between teachers and families, allowing for more meaningful conversations about your child's progress and wellbeing. We hope this more personal approach reflects the warmth, care, and partnership that define life at Houlton.

Our first face-to-face Parents' Evening will take place for Year 9 on Thursday 11th December 2025, from 4pm to 7pm. Alongside your appointments with teaching staff, there will be a number of information stands available, including:

- The Attendance Team
- The Inclusion Team
- Our Pastoral Support Team

You will also have the opportunity to speak with members of the Senior Leadership Team and Heads of Faculty, who will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

To enable us to see as many families as possible, appointment slots will be 5 minutes long. We will have reminders of timings available throughout the evening. If you feel you would like a longer conversation about your child's progress, you are welcome to arrange additional time with the relevant teacher at a later date. Please support us in ensuring the evening runs smoothly by keeping to your allotted time.

Future Parents' Evening dates for other year groups are as follows:

- Year 11 – Thursday 15th January 2026
- Year 10 – Thursday 5th March 2026
- Year 7 – Thursday 30th April 2026
- Year 8 – Thursday 16th April 2026

In keeping with our school values of Excellence, Kindness, Tenacity, Courage, and Loyalty, we want these evenings to reflect our commitment to working together as one community — supporting every child to achieve their best.

We are also pleased to share that the Friends of Houlton School will be joining us to provide refreshments throughout the evening.

We look forward to welcoming you in person and to getting to know you better as we continue to work in partnership for the benefit of our students.

Yours sincerely



Lorna Pountney  
Head of School