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Dear TY parents and students,

I hope that you are well as we enter the last week before midterm.

This year, instead of the traditional Parent – Teacher meeting format, we will hold a TY Parent/Student/Teacher Reflection meeting on Wednesday, 22 April 2026 between 15.30 and 17.00. The purpose of this meeting is to reflect on the experiences of Transition Year. In particular, students will be asked to speak on their portfolio, the development of their personal and social skills, their participation in co and extra-curricular activities and the leadership opportunities embraced over the course of the year.

The detail of how this meeting will work is explained below:

- Each student will be assigned one teacher for this meeting.
- After Easter, the teacher will make contact with the student to arrange an exact time to meet on Wednesday, 22 April.
- In advance of the meeting, students will share their portfolio with the assigned teacher.
- At the meeting, the student, along with their parent (s)/guardian (s) meet with the assigned teacher for approximately 15 minutes to reflect on the year completed.
- Teachers will have five prompt questions to ask, and it is hoped that the reflection meeting becomes a discussion on TY and that it gives the students an opportunity to highlight points that they particularly enjoyed or benefited from over the course of the year.

In line with the new TY programme statement, we are trialling this meeting in the hope of encouraging greater parental engagement. In the past, many parents decided not to attend the Parent-Teacher meeting so we hope that this format will give students and parents the chance to discuss their year through a structured discussion.

Yours sincerely,

John Mc Ginnity,

Principal.