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Dear Parent/Carer

As part of the induction into Year 12 we have recently conducted a 'Step-Up Review' where we asked teaching staff to feedback on the start Year 12 students have made to their courses. This is reflected in an Attitude to Learning score. Form tutors are working to discuss this feedback with students during form-time and enrichment lessons: many of these discussions are centred on the students' attitude and commitment towards recording preparation in their 50 Hour Challenge booklet. Students have been given a copy of these first assessments which is accompanied by an explanation of the Attitude to Learning descriptions.

At the start of the academic year, it is important that students demonstrate that they have understood what is required to 'step up' to the Sixth Form and I hope that you will discuss these assessments with your son/daughter. The 'Step-Up Review' may highlight areas where students need to improve their preparation and develop their independent study skills. Tutors, subject teachers and the Key Stage 5 team will work with students to help develop these skills and set targets.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Key Stage 5 support team. There will be another set of assessments later this term which will include Target Grades, an assessment of the students' current progress as well as Attitude to Learning grades.

Please complete the reply slip below and return to your son/daughter's form tutor.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Mr M Taylor
Director of Sixth Form



Mr J Elliott
Head of Year 12

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To: Form Tutor

Student's Name:

Tutor Group:

I confirm that I have received the Year 12 Step-Up Review for my son/daughter.

Signed: **Parent/Carer** **Date:**

Comments about the student's progress (optional):

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