



February 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Year 8 Parents' Evening - 4.45 – 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th March 2019

There will be a Parents' Evening on Tuesday 12th March 2019 in the Williams Hall from 4.45 – 7.30pm. Please note that this evening replaces a full written report this term, although you will still receive the third half term assessment (HTA3).

The majority of interviews last 5 minutes. Matters requiring longer discussion should be taken up at another time; my staff and I are always pleased to see any parents by appointment. Mr Hunt, Head of Lower School, will be present should you wish to speak with him.

Please refer to page 2 of this letter for instructions on how to book your appointments online.

There will be a short presentation at 6pm by Mr Simpson, Deputy Headmaster Academic, who will outline further the Year 9 curriculum and will explain the option choices that will need to be made in the following weeks and also Mr Williams, Deputy Head Pastoral, who will talk about on-line behaviour.

We are always pleased to receive feedback on your experience of the school. We want to be aware of any areas where we can improve and would be grateful for your views. I would be very grateful if you could complete the enclosed Parental Questionnaire and return it to school on Parents' Evening. There will be a box at the sign in desk for any returns. There will also be copies of the questionnaire on the evening if you would rather fill it out whilst in school. The forms will be entirely anonymous, unless you would like a specific reply.

I do hope that you will find the occasion informative and helpful.

Yours sincerely,

D Wickes

NEW ON-LINE APPOINTMENT BOOKING SYSTEM FOR PARENTS' EVENING

The link below will take you through a quick process, so you can reserve your preferred times – one 5 minute slot with each teacher. As it is on a 'First Come First Served basis' you may find your preferred 5 minute slot is already taken, but there are many to choose from.

Please note that after the deadline date of [Sunday 10th March 2019](#) you will not be able to book any appointments.

<https://www.trybooking.co.uk/IUA>

It is quite self-explanatory, but herewith some simple instructions:

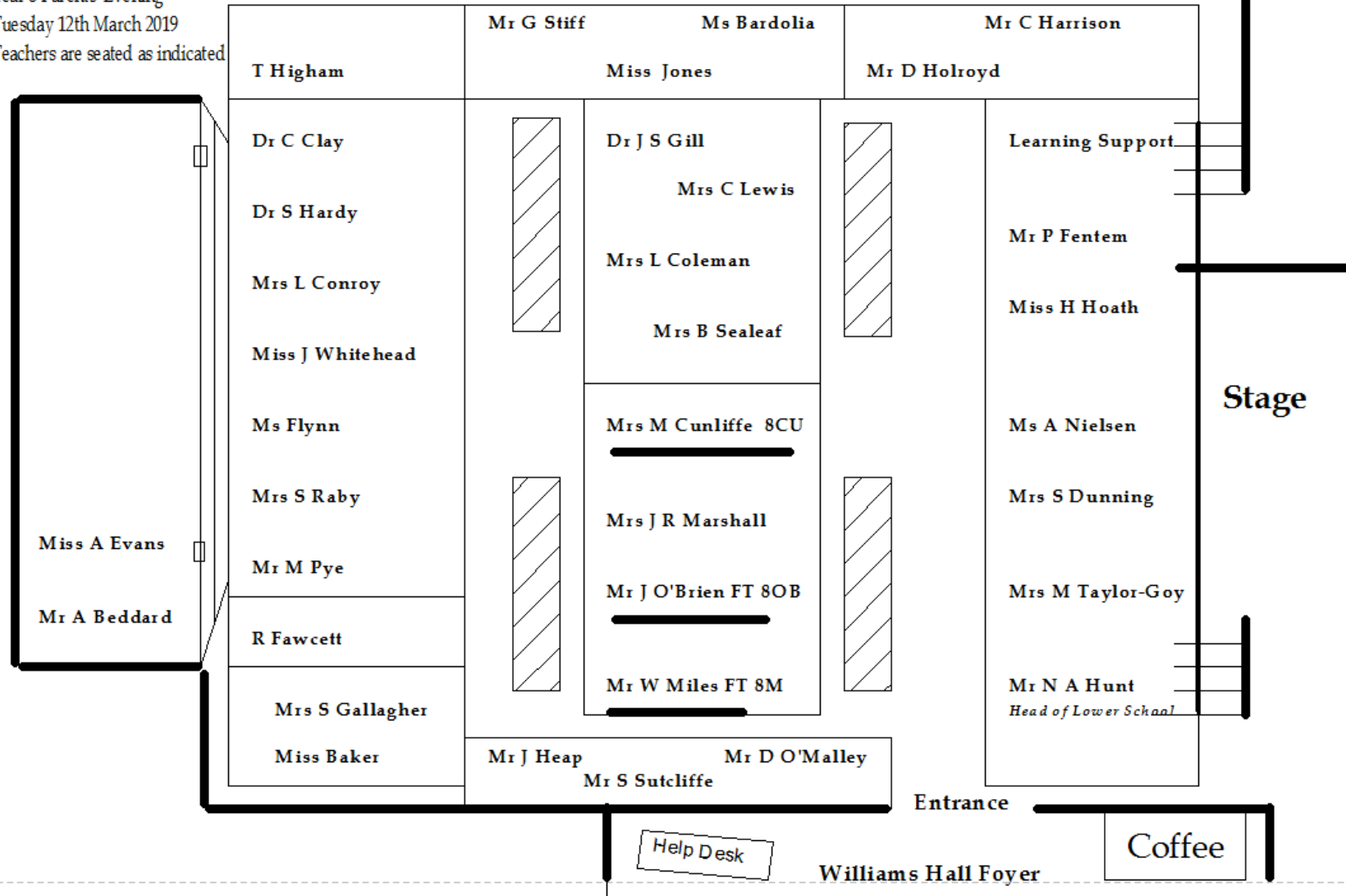
A couple of helpful hints before beginning the process:

- Keep a note of the teachers and times you have chosen to make sure you don't double up - (there is a list at Checkout too).
 - Don't go through Checkout until you have selected all your appointments.
1. Click on the link above to access the Homepage which highlights Year 8 Parents' Evening
 2. Click: 'Continue Booking' to access a list of subjects.
 3. Select your first subject.
 4. Then choose your appropriate Teacher
 5. Select your preferred time –all the 5 minute intervals are listed on the left hand side. Simply click the seat next to your preferred time. It will turn green. (please note the seat number is the timeslot). .
 6. Click 'buy more tickets' until you have selected all relevant teachers.
 - 7, You will then be directed to Checkout which will highlight the subject, teacher and time selected

Once completed, you will receive an automated email with all your appointments confirmed in booking tickets for ease, so you can print them off and have them on the evening.

Plan of Williams Hall

Year 8 Parents' Evening
 Tuesday 12th March 2019
 Teachers are seated as indicated





MERCHANT TAYLORS' BOYS' SCHOOL PARENTAL FEEDBACK 2018-19

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are always pleased to receive feedback on your experience of the school. We would like you to make us aware of any areas where we can improve and would be grateful for your views. The forms will be entirely anonymous, unless you would like a specific reply.

Please take a few minutes to tick the boxes below and add any comments you wish.

ACADEMIC	un satis	gen satis	satis	very satis	excel
General progress					
Overall quality of teaching					
Assessment information: quality & frequency					
Appropriateness/frequency of homework					
Learning support if your son/ward receives help					
Optional comment to clarify any of the above responses, or to highlight a separate issue/make a suggestion.					

PASTORAL	un satis	gen satis	satis	very satis	excel
Overall quality of pastoral care					
Discipline within the school					
School policies and ethos					
Careers information and next step guidance/ provision					
Optional comment to clarify any of the above responses, or to highlight a separate issue/make a suggestion.					

SPORT - EXTRA-CURRICULAR	un satis	gen satis	satis	very satis	excel
Opportunities and provision					
The range of activities and clubs including GTX					
Son's involvement in activities					
Subject area trips (quality of trips if applicable)					
Optional comment to clarify any of the above responses, or to highlight a separate issue/make a suggestion.					

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COMMUNICATION	un satis	gen satis	satis	very satis	excel
Paper information provided by school					
Satisfaction with school's response to concerns					
Telephone enquiries					
Email and electronic communication					
School website – provision of information					
Social media channels – Twitter/Facebook					
Merchants' Tales newsletter					
Optional comment to clarify any of the above responses, or to highlight a separate issue/make a suggestion.					
Weekly Bulletin (the bulletin is sent home each Friday via email. If you are not in receipt of it please ring school with your up to date email address (0151 949 9327). Optional comment on Weekly Bulletin:-	un satis	gen satis	satis	very satis	excel
GENERAL	un satis	gen satis	satis	very satis	excel
Overall satisfaction					
1. Are you able to provide any help with Work Experience Placements, Careers Advice? Please give details and complete the personal details box below.					
2. Do you read a local newspaper/freepaper? Yes / No* (please delete)					
If so please specify: (eg. <i>Southport Visitor, Champion</i>)					
3. If you would like us to contact you personally about a particular issue , please indicate the issue you wish to discuss:					
ISSUE FOR DISCUSSION:					
PERSONAL DETAILS					
Only complete if you wish to be contacted relating to Work Experience, Careers Advice or an issue for discussion.					
Name:					
Son/ward's Name & Form:					
Telephone/Mobile:					
Email:					

Thank you for completing this form. Please return to school or leave it in the box on the table as you sign out from Parents' Evening.

D Wickes
Headmaster