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Dear Parent/Carer

Tutor Time Reading

I am writing to inform you about our newly launched Tutor Time Reading programme for all year groups. Every day, apart from assembly day, tutors will read aloud to the students. The students have their own copy of the text and follow along, reading.

There are many reasons why we do this:

- Tutors model fluent reading with complex sentence syntax.
- It gives the students access to books that they may not otherwise read.
- It introduces more challenging texts to the students.
- It allows students to encounter a broader range of vocabulary.
- The texts that have been chosen cover a range of cultural and societal issues relevant to all areas of study.
- To inspire a love and interest in reading.

A variety of books have been chosen by our Literacy and Reading Coordinator, Mrs Victoria Sewell, who selected books covering various genres and topics - the books are enjoyable but also thought provoking, exposing students to relevant moral and cultural issues.

Recent research has found that reading more impacts all subjects positively, including maths and science. Experiencing varied language helps students access exam papers, and understand what is being asked of them. Simply put, students will do better in exams and be able to access more opportunities in life.

I would ask that you talk to your child about the books that they are reading, as this will further increase the positive message that we are trying to convey. Encouraging children to read at home would also help students to recognise the value of reading.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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