

Meet Me Conversations September 23

Dear Parent Carer

When joining Wildern, each student is allocated a tutor group that they remain in for their entire journey at the school. This is more than a group that meets to register each morning. It is a busy hub of discussion, a place where students can voice opinions about school and a centre for priceless information about the day to day business of school as well as covering crucial topics that provide 'Education for Life'.

Central to all of this is the role of the tutor. We always emphasise that the tutor should be the first port of call for concerns, to share information or to celebrate success. They are there to guide, support, inform and nurture the students in their care. They will be an ally, a champion for each of their students and a role model in school.

We realise that often there isn't a chance to meet your child's tutor, for you to have a conversation about the things that really matter for your child(ren) and for you to meet each other and talk about what really makes your child(ren), our students tick and happy. Parents' evenings are busy with subject teacher appointments, and often communication is digital, limiting time for the all important conversations.

A positive and productive relationship between students, their parents and the school is vital to all students' ability to thrive at school and for this reason we want to repeat last year's Meeting Me conversations so that the year can start with a positive, face to face meeting with your child's tutor.

On Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th September all students in years 8-11 will be expected to attend their twenty minute appointment to have a 'Meeting Me Conversation'. We would love you as parents to also attend this meeting (either in person or virtually) but we also know that this isn't always possible due to other commitments.

The meeting me conversations will be with your child's tutor and will be designed so that they have the chance to discuss the year ahead, ask any questions, but most importantly for us to get to learn even more about your child. For those of you whose child has a new tutor, it will be a great opportunity to say hello.

It is our expectation that **all** students attend their appointments with their tutors **in school**. In addition to this, parents will be able to join the conversation either in person or virtually. You will be given an appointment time and URL link and this will be sent to you separately.

This means that the school will be open as normal for everyone to return on Thursday 7th of September.

Can we also ask that prior to this meeting you complete [this Google Form](#) with your child to acknowledge our Home School Partnership agreement.

We hope you all have a wonderful summer and would like to thank you for all your support in what has been a challenging but rewarding year.

Yours sincerely,
Mr M Chance