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Dear Parent/Carer

Academic Review Day (ARD) for Years 7 – 11: 8th March 2017

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As usual on this day normal lessons for students will not take place. Instead each student and their parents/carers will have an individual appointment with their tutor. Homework will be available through ClassCharts for all students on that day, and there is an expectation that students also attend the appointment. ARD will give you and your child the opportunity to discuss their progress, agree specific targets, and discuss any concerns you may have. It will help you and your child's teachers to support, encourage and guide them in their education.

Please indicate on the reverse of this letter which time slots are convenient for your 15 minute appointment. If you have more than one child at the academy and would like the appointment times to be close together, please give details of the other child(ren)'s names and tutor group(s).

Over the course of the day we are offering a series of optional sessions and performances for parents and carers. Please indicate on the attached sheet if you would like to attend any of these. More information is below.

Further information about optional sessions available	
Art & Photography Exhibition – in the Art Studio (S2)	An exhibition of student work completed during Art and Photography lessons.
Challenge Lecture - "Iranian Human Rights through the eyes of Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe"	Through the case of the Ratcliffe family, we explore how a divided power-base in Iran can lead not only to the imprisonment of a charity worker accused of crimes against the state, but also the unintended victims of the judicial system.
Drama rehearsal in progress (Hall) – National Theatre Production	Be part of the audience, and attend a rehearsal in progress where students are rehearsing for their National Theatre production later this year.
Drama rehearsal in progress (Hall) – Year 11 GCSE Production	Be part of the audience, and attend a rehearsal in progress where Year 11 GCSE students are rehearsing for their GCSE examinations.
Meet the Principal – an informal session to meet the new Principal	An informal opportunity to meet the new Principal, Mr Stuart Smith, and to put your questions to him.
Performance - Rock Band (Music room, S1)	Be part of the audience and witness student bands rehearsing and performing their music.
Performance – GCSE Dance Groups (Hall)	Surge- Year 10 GCSE Dance Evoke- Year 9 GCSE Dance
Workshop – "Career pathways and the world of work" (for Years 7 to 9)	A workshop for parents and students in Years 7 to 9 focused on exploring career options, subject choices, and the world of work.
Workshop – "Parenting Teenagers"	A practical workshop for those that are parenting teenagers. You will gain strategies and tools to help you, which will be supported by a booklet to take home.
Workshop – "Creating a revision schedule" (Year 11)	A practical session for parents and students during which you will design a revision schedule/timetable for the upcoming GCSE exams.
Atrium: Throughout the day, students will be serving tea, coffee, biscuits and cake in return for donations towards our chosen charity, Comic relief.	

Please return the slip to your child's tutor **by Wednesday 1st March 2017**. Your appointment time will be sent to you nearer the Academic Review Day to confirm the time of your appointment. We look forward to seeing you.

Yours faithfully

Mr Z Vice
Vice Principal

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Please return this to your child’s tutor by Wednesday 1st March 2017.

Please indicate your 1st, 2nd and 3rd preferred appointment time slots.

Time slot	Choice	Time slot	Choice
8:00 to 9:00		14:00 to 15:00	
9:00 to 10:00		15:00 to 16:00	
10:00 to 11:00		16:00 to 17:00	
11:00 to 12:00		17:00 to 18:00	
12:00 to 13:00		18:00 to 19:00	
13:00 to 14:00			

Student Name: _____

Tutor Group: _____

Other students’ name and tutor groups (if applicable): _____

Optional Sessions	Time	Would like to attend
Meet the Principal – an informal session to meet the new Principal	9:30 to 10:00	
Workshop – “Parenting Teenagers”	10:00 to 10:40	
Challenge Lecture - “Iranian Human Rights through the eyes of Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe”	11:00 to 11:30	
Performance - Rock Band (Music room, S1)	11:00 to 11:15	
Performance – GCSE Dance Groups (Hall)	11:00 to 11:15	
Workshop – “Creating an exam revision schedule” (for Year 11)	11:00 to 12:00	
Workshop – “Career pathways and the world of work” (for Years 7 to 9)	11:30 to 12:00	
Performance - Rock Band (Music room, S1)	12:00 to 12:15	
Drama rehearsal in progress (Hall) – National Theatre Production	12:00 to 13:00	
Performance - Rock Band (Music room, S1)	13:00 to 13:15	
Drama rehearsal in progress (Hall) – Year 11 GCSE Production	13:00 to 14:00	
Performance - Rock Band (Music room, S1)	14:00 to 14:15	
Performance – GCSE Dance Groups (Hall)	14:30 to 14:45	
Challenge Lecture - “Iranian Human Rights through the eyes of Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe”	15:00 to 15:30	
Workshop – “Parenting Teenagers”	16:00 to 16:40	
Workshop – “Career pathways and the world of work” (for Years 7 to 9)	17:00 to 17:30	
Workshop – “Creating an exam revision schedule” (for Year 11)	17:00 to 18:00	
Meet the Principal – an informal session to meet the new Principal	18:00 to 18:30	
Art & Photography Exhibition – in the Art Studio (S2)	Open all day	

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