



Aylsham High School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Parents' Information Virtual Evening

As your child completes their first term at Aylsham High School we feel that it would be useful to provide you with further information, via an information evening, to help us to work together to best support your child's progress. For the last few years we have offered a 'virtual' evening using pre-recorded videos. This approach has allowed us to offer a greater number of sessions, covering a wider area of topics. It has also meant that more families could take part in the event as the pre-recorded sessions can be accessed at any time. Therefore, this year's parents' information evening will be organised in a similar way.

Included with this letter is a document which contains the links and QR codes to each of the presentation videos and also the YouTube playlists for the virtual evening, SIMS Parent and SIMS Student. A copy of this letter and details of the presentations can also be accessed via the parents' information evening page under the parents & carers section of the school website, www.aylshamhigh.com/parentsinfoevening.

These videos share key information to help you support your child with their learning. We would therefore ask you and your child to find a convenient time to sit down together and watch each of the videos that have been shared with you. This approach will really strengthen our work together.

We would recommend watching the assessment and reporting video first as this provides a brief overview of the other videos. We have included videos on the use of Google Classroom and Gmail as these are very useful learning tools that we will continue to use and students will need to ensure that they can access and use them confidently. The table on the next page shows the topics which are covered by the videos.

Please note, all of the videos for the parents' information evening are available via the school's YouTube channel except for the mindset for success video which is being shared with you via Google Drive.

I do hope that you find the videos useful and supportive. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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List of topics covered within the videos for the year 7 parents' information virtual evening

| Topic | Areas covered |
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| Overview of playlist | An overview of the other videos. |
| Assessment and reporting | The school's assessment and reporting system. The changes to the new GCSE system. SIMS Parent. |
| Maths GCSE | How are the basic skills taught? Which topics are covered at KS3 and KS4? |
| English GCSE | Dates for important internal assessments. What can parents do to support their child? Resources available to help support your child. |
| Mindset for success | The importance of hard work to develop knowledge and increase understanding. The importance of taking risks, embracing challenges and recognising mistakes as part of the learning process. |
| Effective learning (video 1 and 2) | Identifies the most effective strategies that students can use to support their own learning both in school and at home. |
| Google learning resources | We have shared six videos with you about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video 1 - How to access RM Unify. • Video 2 - How to access the school Gmail account (@alf.education email). • Video 3 - How to access Google Classroom, view homework in Google Classroom and upload completed work to Google Classroom. • Video 4 - How to use Google Drive. • Video 5 - How to use Google Meets. Video 6 - How to access RM unify via a mobile phone. |
| SIMS Parent | How to access SIMS Parent and which information is shared with you. |
| SIMS Student | How students can access SIMS Student and which information is shared with them. There are individual videos covering individual sections of SIMS Student or a full guidance video which is all of the individual videos combined into one. |
| Pastoral Information | Accessing Pastoral Support at AHS and contact details and roles for staff within school |

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Please visit each of the playlists below. These contain the videos to watch within each topic area.

| Playlist | YouTube link on AHS YouTube Channel | QR code |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Year 7 Parents' Information Evening playlist</p> | <p>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLNIZSdInn8IRfX0ECdc5_XhpKXAMvLN5W</p> <p><i>Please note, the mindset for success video is on Google Drive and not on YouTube. The link to this video can be found on the further pages where the individual video links are provided.</i></p> |  |
| <p style="text-align: center;">SIMS Parent playlist</p> | <p>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLNIZSdInn8ISwk0YzK4IF1S_-0HB-u6V</p> |  |
| <p style="text-align: center;">SIMS Student playlist</p> | <p>https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLNIZSdInn8IRbjJ-8m0yfRNMaBHu9nb2</p> |  |
| <p style="text-align: center;">AHS Google learning resources playlist</p> | <p>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLNIZSdInn8ITrIIF-V8JkraaA6uswg0al</p> |  |

Year 7 Parents' Information Evening playlist

Please find below the links and QR codes to each individual video within this playlist.

The mindset for success video is shared on Google Drive rather than on YouTube. You will therefore need to watch this video individually via the link below as it is not included within the playlist on YouTube.

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| <p>Overview of playlist</p> <p>Assessment and Reporting</p> <p>https://youtu.be/Up1qnc5rziq?si=W7KWq9uZ_9jL0cEt</p>  | <p>Maths video 1</p> <p>https://youtu.be/miNh09jzslQ</p>  | <p>Maths video 2</p> <p>https://youtu.be/FCFybaBc8gc</p>  | <p>English</p> <p>https://youtu.be/yMdYsFWakj8</p>  |
| <p>Mindset for success (Please note this is on Google Drive and not YouTube)</p> <p>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JOMihmrqK-IXTcFGugND8iKIHwy4I2ae</p>  | <p>Effective learning (video 1)</p> <p>https://youtu.be/8ICv7QtqGHg</p>  | <p>Effective learning (video 2)</p> <p>https://youtu.be/N_28_rx_Wek</p>  | <p>Pastoral information</p> <p>https://youtu.be/ltkIQIRkBzw</p>  |

AHS Google learning resources playlist

Please find below the links and QR codes to each individual video within this playlist.

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| <p>Video 1 – RM unify https://youtu.be/aOHKOQdSpjM</p>  | <p>Video 2 – Gmail https://youtu.be/ZLDUZAJoUUU</p>  | <p>Video 3 – Google Classroom https://youtu.be/0cOo_01PJps</p>  |
| <p>Video 4 – Google Drive https://youtu.be/Ekn1cq0Q6vc</p>  | <p>Video 5 – Google Meets https://youtu.be/wkUpuAIBfv4</p>  | <p>Video 6 – RM unify (mobile) https://youtu.be/LDOKLUUy34Y</p>  |