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Poynton High School

and Performing Arts College

Head Teacher: Mr M Dean

Thursday, 19 December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

We are writing to inform you of some changes to the Year Teams that will be taking effect after the Christmas Break. We are very pleased to have increased the capacity in the Year Teams and know that this will have a really positive impact on the support our young people receive in school. When we return after the Christmas Break, we are moving to one non-teaching Head of Year per year group in the main school. This is the former 'Welfare Lead' role. The Heads of Year will work closely with the Directors of Learning for the different key stages to support the progress and welfare of the young people in each year group. The new structure is outlined below:

Year Group	Head of Year	Director of Learning
7	Mr A Hunter	Mrs A Kennedy
8	Mrs J Horobin*	Miss J Hancock
9	Mrs A Riley	Miss J Hancock
10	Miss S Maloney	Miss H Dovey
11	Miss H Booth	Miss H Dovey

*start date 13th January

Miss Maloney comes to us from a local college where she has worked in a pastoral role, working with young people to support them to achieve. Mrs Horobin is coming back to us, having worked as a welfare leader in our school previously and has a wealth of pastoral experience in schools. We are really pleased to have them both joining us in the new year.

The Head of Year will be responsible for welfare and pastoral issues for students within their year group. If you have a welfare concern, please contact them in the first instance. The Head of Year will work closely with the Director of Learning to address areas including behaviour and attendance. The Director of Learning is responsible for the progress of the students in their key stage. If you have a progress concern, please contact the Director of Learning in the first instance. All contact details can be found on the school website: <https://www.poyntonhigh.org.uk/parents/communicationguidelines>.

We also wanted to take the opportunity to thank Miss Hollingworth for all of her work with our Key Stage 4 students, and we wish her luck in her next school as she returns to teaching.

We hope all of our young people have a wonderful break over Christmas and look forward to welcoming them back on Monday 6th January.

Kind Regards,

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