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Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: English Set Changes 2021-2022.

We are writing to inform you that we are planning some changes to our English classes for Years 8, 9, and 11.

Since welcoming students back to school in September, we have worked hard to support and guide students in their learning and help them make progress with key skills and knowledge in English. We believe that grouping students based on their abilities will be beneficial to them in the long run, as it means that they will be working at a similar level to everyone else in the class and that the work will be accessible for all students. We firmly believe that by grouping students like this we are giving them the best possible chance to make as much progress as possible during their time at Haydock.

With the disruption to learning over the past two years, we have spent the first term re-introducing classrooms routines and English skills to students and have used this time to monitor progress through in-class assessments, learning walks, department moderation and general classwork and homework submissions.

This time spent monitoring has given us a clearer understanding of the academic capabilities of each student following the disruption to learning caused by Covid19. We have collected the data from all assessments and, along with discussions with class teachers, are now deciding the new groupings. I will be in touch again next week if your child has been identified to change classes.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Chris Chamberlain
Assistant Principal / Head of English