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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Trialling Home Groups for Year 7 and Year 8

As a way of supporting some of our students to settle back into school after lockdown, we plan to establish two small "home groups" for tutor time, from **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April** for the summer term.

Students in these groups will benefit from a smaller, quieter start to each day, with more T.A. support in the mornings. They will have the opportunity to read, complete homework, practice Maths and English basics and make sure they have got everything they need to go on and have a good day. Some students will go out to their normal lessons at the start of Period 1, others will stay in the group for further literacy and numeracy intervention and will rejoin their classmates ready for the start of Period 2. This will replace students coming out of lessons later in the day for literacy in Becketts, meaning their timetables should be less disrupted overall.

- The Year 8 Home Group will meet in Becketts each morning at 8:40 and will be led by Mrs Yarham.
- The Year 7 Home Group will meet in the LRC each morning at 8:40 and will be led by Mrs Norman and Mrs Long.

In both cases, if students arrive in school early and want to come straight to their home room to get settled, they will be very welcome. Staff will be present from 8:30 to greet them.

We feel your child could benefit from joining the home group for the summer term trial. If the system works to support students' confidence and helps them to make good progress, we may extend it further across the school in September. If you have concerns or questions about your child being included, please email <u>knorman5yrt@nsix.org.uk</u> or give me a call at school before the changes are made on Monday.

Yours faithfully

Mrs K Norman- SENCO

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