# TOPICS RAISED

# QUESTIONS YOU ASKED

## **QUESTIONS | OUR RESPONSE**

### **COMMUNICATION**

- Would like to be kept informed regularly
- More contact with teachers
- Face to face meetings not virtual

### **Key Contacts:**

Year 7 Ms Asiedu: sashaasiedu@stmartins.academy Year 8 and Y9 Ms Huggins: ahuggins@stmartins.academy Year 10 Ms Beckford: cbeckford@stmartins.academy Year 11 Ms Sauvajon: gsauvajon@stmartins.academy Year 12 and Y13 Ms Hammoudi: lhammoudi@stmartins.academy Head of Pastoral Support Ms Wilson, Deputy Headteacher: swilson@stmartins.academy

By the end of September our new text messages and emails service will enable the school to communicate with you more directly with specific information related to your child. Clubs or after school activities, Attendance, Lateness to school, Detentions, or Behaviour messages will be tailored to inform you with information about your child.

If you contact the school or leave a message for a member of staff, expect a reply within 2 days. The likely time you will receive a response will be after 3.30pm

Staff often have duties after school or meetings so they may not always be able to respond to you on the same day.

All Parent Progress Meetings will be <u>face to face</u>. On certain occasions such as information events, you may be given the option of in person or virtual.

#### **CHILD'S PROGRESS**

- Updates on on my child's progress
- What ways are the school helping my child to catch up (after missing so much learning during the pandemic)?

For Year 7, 8. 9, 10 and 12 there are two points in the academic year: Spring and Summer; for Year 11 and 13 there are three points: Autumn, Spring and Summer, where we collect information on your child's progress. We call these 'Data Collections'. You will receive a progress report at the end of each assessment period. The Summer (third) point for Y11 and Y13 is the collection of public exam results.

We have arranged <u>Parents' Evenings</u> around our assessment cycles. These evenings provide opportunities to discuss your child's latest report and to learn how your child can make improvements in time for the next assessment cycle.

<u>The School Curriculum</u> has been designed to address the learning of all students, taking into consideration the disruption to learning from the pandemic. You can access the curriculum for our subjects via the website 2022-23, will be available.

The school has been using the National Tuition Service to support students who have some gaps in their learning.

For <u>exam classes</u>, <u>catch up intervention sessions</u> will start shortly. Some sessions may be after school and some may be virtual in

	the evening. All students in Y7, 8 and 9 receive <u>extra literacy lessons.</u> Most classes are deliberately small to enable teachers to assess and respond to any learning gaps quickly.
	Google Classroom has been designed by all subjects to give students access to resources and presentation slides used in lessons and activities for homework. Training for parents on how to access and support their child with Google classroom will be available shortly. Please do read the guides to Google Classroom on our website in the parent information tab.
RESOURCES TO HELP STUDENTS  • Would like to know which textbooks • Would like to know which revision guides	The school will provide the relevant textbooks and resources students need to complete the curriculum.  Additional items such as personal copies of text for annotations, revision guides, and wider research will be listed on parentpay for families to purchase. If families need any financial support with purchases, please get in touch with your child's Pastoral Lead.
SEND - Special Educational Needs  • Would like to know more of how best to support my child	Once a term, after school, there will be opportunities to meet with our Head of Inclusion and our SEND Team. the Dates are as follows:  12th October 2022  1st February 2023  10th May 2023