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Dear Parent /Carer

I am writing to you to introduce the role of an Achievement Lead which I have been appointed for year 8. My role as an Achievement Lead is to ensure that the processes, procedures and practices work effectively to improve the quality of education provided. The role of an Achievement Lead is to meet the needs and aspirations of all students and help to continue to raise standards of achievement in the school.

Student progress and the development of character is at the heart of what each Achievement Lead is focused on. These are new roles for The Garibaldi School which provide an extra level of support to the students, staff and to the parents/carers that are involved in guiding each student on their path to become successful learners and achievers.

As an Achievement lead I will:

- Drop in on study period sessions and lessons to build up a picture of a student's 'Attitude To Learning' (ATL), achievement and aspiration.
- Ask to see books and student work at times.
- Follow up concerns from mentors, and parents/carers.
- Identify and celebrate student success and achievements formally and informally.
- Champion their year group and build self-confidence and belief.
- Challenge students in terms of their ATL, achievement and where behaviour is affecting these. Conduct weekly ATL reviews on individuals

ATL has become the most important set of numbers in school because we know that ATL has a demonstrable impact on student achievement and it is a clear and easy system for students, staff and parents to work with. The top 20% of the most successful students in Year 11 last year had an ATL of 1.5, which provides a high challenge for Year 8 to aspire to. We also know that ATL is pivotal in shaping the character of students and preparing them to be the best possible version of themselves in the future, after their time with us at Garibaldi.

As the Achievement Lead for year 8, that forms part of the Achievement Team for all other years, we are here to answer any questions and queries relating to the achievement being made by each individual student.

Points of contact:

- Mentor First point of contact for all concerns
- Miss L Etches- Year 8 Achievement Lead Concerns relating to ATL, progress and achievement.
- Mr P Hunt Behaviour and Safeguardina
- Ms E Jewsbury Child Welfare and Safeguarding (pastoral support)
- Mr J Crossland Attendance Officer

This is an exciting time for The Garibaldi School, with the results from last year being outstanding. Over this next year I look forward to working together to ensure that each year contributes to even better achievements for our students

Kind regards

L Etches Miss L Etches Year 8 Achievement Lead & Teacher of Performing Arts

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