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# Ripon Grammar School

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Dear Parent/Guardian

## Re: Speech Day - Friday 16 November 2018

On Friday, 16 November, we are holding our annual speech day to celebrate the achievements of our students. The event will be taking place in the afternoon and students from the lower sixth form and those who have just left upper sixth will be involved in the celebrations. The main school will be dismissed from lessons at the end of P4 (12.10 pm) to allow time to set up the hall for the presentations.

This is such a busy term and the students are working hard to ensure success. There is always so much work to fit into the term and with time being so precious we cannot afford to waste any opportunities to improve our knowledge and understanding. Therefore, we have set out what the lower school would like the different year groups to complete during that afternoon period whilst at home.

Should you have already made arrangements to do something in the afternoon we would expect each student to complete the task over the weekend.

### Lower School

**1st years:** Students should reflect on their first half term at Ripon Grammar School, and write neatly on lined paper a letter to their year 6 primary school class teacher. This will be posted inside a Christmas card to their old primary school in December, and it is an excellent opportunity to impart advice and give encouragement regarding starting secondary school to the new year 6 students, who will have the letter read out to them. This should be brought in **on Monday 19 November and hand into the form tutor.**

**2nd years:** They are to write a letter to a first year student who is due to start at RGS in September 2019, giving them advice and reassurance on how to make the most of their first year in secondary school. These letters will be used for next year's cohort, whoever they may be! **Hand in to their form tutor on Monday 19 November.**

**3rd years:** With GCSEs starting throughout the course of this year, and end of Key Stage 3 examinations in May 2018, we would like them to produce an A4 poster: 'Top 10 Tips for revision and effective study habits for success'. **Hand in to their form tutor on Monday 19 November.**

Should you have any queries regarding the work please contact Miss Hoskins or Mr Barber by email at [lowerschool@ripongrammar.co.uk](mailto:lowerschool@ripongrammar.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

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