

Impact - Parental Engagement

This year before all parents evenings we have contacted families directly to invite and engage them in an active conversation with regards the progress of their daughter's and how welcome they would be at Parents Evening. The results speak for themselves in terms of rising attendance and the closing of gaps.

Year 11 Parents Evening 2016	Possible	Actual	% Attendance
Whole cohort	180	160	88.89
Disadvantaged	51	41	80.39
Other	132	117	88.64

Year 10 Parents Evening 2015	Possible	Actual	% Attendance
Whole cohort	179	145	81.01
Disadvantaged	48	30	62.50
Other	131	115	87.79

The two tables above show the Year 11 cohort's attendance at Parents Evening as Year 10s in 2015 and as Year 11s in 2016. 15 more parents in total attended the Parents Evening from one year to the next and of those 15 11 were parents of disadvantaged students.

GAP 2014-15	-25.29
GAP 2015-16	-8.24
IMPACT	17.04

The proportion of disadvantaged students attending rose by 18% closing the gap to less than 10%.

Year 10 Parents Evening 2016	Possible	Actual	% Attendance
Whole cohort	171	147	85.96
Disadvantaged	39	31	79.49
Other	132	116	87.88

Year 9 Parents Evening 2015	Possible	Actual	% Attendance
Whole cohort	181	163	90.06
Disadvantaged	45	35	77.78
Other	136	128	94.12

The exact same pattern was prevalent in Year 10 Parents Evening using Year 9 Parents Evening as a baseline. While numbers as a whole fell from the previous year the **proportion of disadvantaged students increased** relative to the group size.

GAP 2014-15	-16.34
GAP 2015-16	-8.39
IMPACT	7.95

This also meant **the gap narrowed to less than 10%**. We will continue

with this successful method of engaging parents more actively in their daughter's progress.