

Engage Evenings- Year 7

What is Engage?

Engage is a programme aiming to provide you with the opportunity to take part in fun, interactive activities that have been designed to involve both pupils and their parents or carers. There are several Engage evenings throughout the academic year covering a wide range of subjects including English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities (History and Geography) and SEND.

Ultimately the Engage programme aims to allow you as parents and carers to develop the confidence, skills, knowledge and understanding that may be required to support your child in their learning at home. The evenings are open to everyone, regardless of ability, and we would strongly encourage you to come along with your child.

In addition, regular attendance at our Engage evenings will enter your child into a prize draw which will take place at the end of the year.

What happens at an Engage evening?

Each evening begins in the lecture theatre before everyone breaks off to work with specific subject departments in two focussed sessions which last for approximately 40 minutes each.

Upcoming Engage evenings.

Department	Date	Time
Mathematics	Thursday 20 th October	6-7:30pm
Special Educational Needs	Tuesday 22 nd November	6-7pm
English	Thursday 1 st December	6-7:30pm
Humanities -(History and Geography)	Tuesday 7th February	6-7:30pm

More dates to follow.

Why is Engage so important?

This level of parental engagement has been proven to raise levels of attainment and support pupils progress. In his review of the factors contributing to student achievement, John Hattie concludes '**parents can have a major effect in terms of the encouragement and expectations that they transmit to their children.**' We would like to reinforce that, as a parent or carer you do have the greatest influence on the achievement of your child and therefore we hope that you and your family will attend these informative Engage evenings where we will look forward to working with you.

If you would like more information, please contact: **Mrs K Armstrong- Assistant Headteacher**