

## Parent emails. Deep Learning Day Thu 2 April

Dear Year 7 Parents and Carers,

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Your child's Form Mentor, Ms Ricketts, Mrs Elsdon, Mr Bradley and Mr Hennebry

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