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Dear Parents and Carers,

Further to my previous letter regarding the effect that National school funding issues will have for St Edward's School, I am writing to update you on the latest position.

Like all schools in the area our school needs to save significant sums to address the shortfall in funding received from the Government. The funding of schools remains a key political issue, and in the aftermath of the General Election, the final position of schools remains unclear. We therefore need to plan ahead based on the best information currently available.

In managing this position we are adjusting internal organisation of classes, by reducing from 8 forms to 7 forms in each year group. This means that class sizes will rise from September to no more than 30 students. Fortunately St Edward's has enjoyed relatively small class sizes compared with other schools and this increase will take us to a position that might be considered normal in most secondary schools. In addition a small number of students in each year group will move form tutors, and we will be in contact with those students likely to be affected later in the term.

We will be doing all we can to sustain and improve the high quality of learning and pastoral care that we offer as we navigate the challenging times ahead, and I would ask for your continued support as we move forwards.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Antram
Headteacher