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Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted to inform you that your child, along with all Year 10 students, will be taking part in the Jack Petchey "Speak Out" Challenge.

This exciting opportunity to learn and develop public speaking skills is of enormous benefit to those who take part: not only does it aid the skills required for the Speaking and Listening Assessment of the English Language GCSE, but it will develop the confidence that will help students with many aspects of life, such as interviews.

Emily Pollett, regional organiser, and three other trainers from SpeakersBank, will be running the training course on Thursday 1 November 2018: all Year 10 pupils will be off normal timetable as the training lasts all day. One student from each of the four groups will be chosen to compete against each other in order that two students are chosen to represent The Ramsey Academy, Halstead in an inter-school competition at New Rickstones Academy in May 2019.

Participants have the opportunity to win individual prizes as well as go on to the Regional and National finals of the competition.

Details of the competition can be found via this link: <http://speakoutchallenge.com/>

If you wish to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me via email at awilliams@ramseyacademy.com

Yours sincerely

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