

## Talk with Top Criminologist

Students in Year 10 and Year 12 recently had the privilege of attending an engaging and thought-provoking assembly led by guest speaker Victoria Greenwood former Criminologist & Solicitor & Trustee, Longford Trust

Victoria Greenwood brought with her a wealth of experience and a powerful personal and professional journey spanning criminology, law, and social justice. With a background that includes working within universities, courts, and prisons, she has developed a deep understanding of the complexities of the criminal justice system. Her work extends beyond these institutions through her role as a Trustee for the Longford Trust, a charity dedicated to supporting the rehabilitation and education of people in prison.

During the assembly, Victoria shared her inspiring journey, explaining how her interest in criminology developed and the paths it opened for her across multiple sectors. She spoke candidly about the realities behind crime and punishment, challenging common assumptions and encouraging students to think critically about justice, rehabilitation, and fairness in society.

Following the assembly, Year 12 students took part in a workshop that explored these themes in greater depth. Through discussion and interactive activities, students were able to engage more personally with the issues and consider how they connect to their studies and future pathways.

Victoria's visit left a lasting impression on both year groups. Her passion, honesty, and breadth of experience provided a unique insight into a field that is often misunderstood. We are very grateful to Victoria for taking the time to visit and share her knowledge with us