

12 November 2020

Dear parents and carers,

Sixth Form Transition

During the start of Term 2, all of the Year 11 students have had an opportunity to explore our virtual Sixth Form Open Event and to learn more about each of the courses that we offer here. I am now able to share with you the arrangements that we have put in place for all Year 11 students to experience a 20-minute A Level taster lesson, in each of the subjects taught across the Sixth Form curriculum in the coming weeks. For those subjects that students are already studying for GCSE, the A Level taster lessons will be delivered during a normal timetabled lesson in December. We will also be using some of the PSHCE lessons in December to deliver 20 minute A Level taster lessons in those subjects that are not currently being taught at GCSE level here. This will ensure that the students get a deeper understanding of what it will feel like to be a student in each of the subjects at A Level.

We will be sending out to every Year 11 student in December, information about how to complete an online A Level options form indicating which three subjects they would like to study at A Level. We will also be asking the students on that form what their future career aspirations are and which institutions they are applying to for Sixth Form study. In order to create our timetable's option blocks for September 2021, we will need the options form to have been completed by the deadline of Friday 8 January 2021.

In the coming weeks, further information about the Sixth Form options process will be sent out by Mr Love, our Assistant Headteacher who oversees the curriculum.

Yours sincerely,



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Deputy Headteacher