

6 January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 into 10 Guided Pathways Evening

You will remember from the Year 8 into 9 Guided Pathway Evening and Guided Pathway Booklet, back in January 2021 that your child would be required as part of our 5 year curriculum to make some final choices about subjects they wish to undertake to deepen their study until the end of Year 11. These choices will make the final suite of qualifications that your child will leave the Academy with in the summer of 2024.

On **Tuesday 11 January 2022, 4:30pm – 6:30pm**, we are holding an Information and Guidance Evening for parents and students to attend to find out more about the subjects they will be able to choose from. During this evening we will outline the transition from key stage 3 to key stage 4 for you and your child, as well as explain the options that are available to them at this point in their education.

We have split the evening into the two 'bands' in order to manage the number of visitors in the Academy at one point. As with all events held indoors currently we will be mitigating the risk of COVID transmission by the following arrangements:

- Each student may only bring ONE parent/carer with them on the evening.
- We would request that all parents/carers undertake a lateral flow test that day before travelling to the Academy.
- If any parent/carer is displaying symptoms to remain at home and we will arrange a follow-up meeting with you over the phone to go through the choices.
- All attendees wear a face covering whilst in the building, unless they are exempt.

Parents and students are requested to arrive at the Academy for the arranged time, and enter via the main entrance. **Students in 'X' band will arrive at 4.30pm, and students in 'Y' band at 5.30pm.** Upon arrival you will be given a copy of the presentation timetable and the guided pathway booklet. The main presentation will take place in the Outwood Institute for Education conference room. Smaller presentations by individual subjects will take place in rooms H5-H8 on the first floor, and subject leaders will be available to discuss subject choices downstairs in rooms H1-H4. You will exit the Academy by the Humanities wing. Choices will be made on an electronic form that will be shared with you on Wednesday 12 January 2022.

Should you not be able to make the allotted band time please could you contact me at j.rhodes@acklam.outwood.com to discuss alternative arrangements.

The final deadline for choices is the Saturday 29 January 2022.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JRhodes', written in a cursive style.

Jason Rhodes
Vice Principal (Deep Experience)