



10th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer and Student

Sixth Form Open Evening - 6.20pm - Thursday 9th November 2023

I am writing to invite you to the Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 9th November 2023. The evening will begin with a short talk from the Headteacher and Sixth Form team in Main Hall at 6.30pm.

The open evening is designed to inform students and parents about the options available in the Sixth Form at Prince Henry's and supports the important process students must go through when making decisions about their education post-16. All of our courses are Level 3 (advanced level) with the exception of maths and English which we offer as a GCSE re-sit for students who do not attain a grade 4 in the summer. If advanced level study is not appropriate or of interest to your son or daughter, then please telephone the school and make an appointment to discuss alternative options with a member of the careers team.

The format of the evening sets out to give parents and students an opportunity to gather information on specific courses. As well as the general presentation including information on the applications process, visitors will be able to attend three subject-specific presentations with the opportunity to visit additional subjects on a less formal basis. To aid organisation, please complete this [form](#) indicating **three** courses you are particularly interested in and would like to find out more about. You may decide on the night which other subject areas you would like to visit. Please return the completed form by **Monday 6th November** at the latest.

Finally, there will be a chance for current Year 11 students from Prince Henry's to attend taster lessons in different A-level subjects on the PSHE day on 22nd November which will help them to make a more informed choice about their options. It is recommended that students attend taster lessons for subjects which they have not studied at GCSE on this day, if they are considering these, so that they have a clear grasp of what these subjects entail. Students often have a clear idea of one or two subjects they are definite about, and Open Evening usually helps to confirm these, so the taster morning is a chance to try alternative subjects to help finalise their three/four options for application. We will then discuss these choices during our informal interviews in the Spring term and there is flexibility for students to make changes at this point if they wish to do so. I encourage all students to engage with these opportunities to find out as much as possible about Sixth Form at Prince Henry's and look forward to welcoming you on Open Evening.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Willis
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