



14th October 2024

Dear Parent/Carer and Student

Sixth Form Open Evening - 6.30pm - Thursday 7th November 2024

I am writing to invite you to the Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 7th November 2024.

Subject presentations will take place from 7.00-8.00pm. You are also invited to attend one of two short presentations from the Headteacher and Sixth Form team: **either** before the subject presentations, from 6.30-7.00pm, **or** after, from 8.00-8.30pm. This means you can choose whether to arrive for a start time of 6.30pm, in time to attend the first talk, **or** 7.00pm, with a view to attending the second.

Time	Event	Location
6.30-7.00pm	Welcome and Headteacher presentation or	Main Hall Miss Bishop, Mrs Willis and Head Students
	ESEP/Sports Academy presentation	Lower Hall
7.05-7.20pm	Subject Presentation 1	Subject Areas Subject tutors/Students
7.25-7.40pm	Subject Presentation 2	Subject Areas Subject tutors/Students
7.45-8.00pm	Subject Presentation 3	Subject Areas Subject tutors/Students
8.00-8.30pm	Subject Drop-In or	Subject Areas Subject tutors/Students
	Repeat of Headteacher presentation or	Main Hall Miss Bishop, Mrs Willis and Head Students
	Repeat of ESEP/Sports Academy presentation	Lower Hall
Throughout	Informal Q & A/ Enrichment	The Quad SLT, Mrs Willis, Mrs Robinson-Junni and Senior Students

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, which includes information

on the applications process, visitors will be able to attend three subject-specific presentations, with the opportunity to then 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 4th November** at the latest.

For students interested in the Excellence in Sport and Education Programme (designed for students competing at club/county level or above in their chosen sport) there are also two presentations to share information about this opportunity which you may wish to attend.

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 21st 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. For students from other schools there is an opportunity to book a daytime tour of the school on 15th or 16th January to see the school in operation and speak to the Sixth Form Team – further details will be shared at Open Evening and available on our website. I look forward to welcoming you on the 7th November.

Yours faithfully



Mrs C Willis
Assistant Headteacher: Post-16 Learning