

25th January 2021

Dear Parents

On Thursday 4th February, we will be holding our Year 8 Parents Evening between 4:00pm and 6:00pm online. An invitation has already been sent out, which enables you to make an appointment for a 5 minute video call with your child's tutor.

As I am sure you can appreciate, due to the national lockdown, we are having to do things a little differently. For Parents Evening, we will be using SchoolCloud, an online platform used by many schools across the country. Appointments are limited to 5 minutes and you will see a count down on the screen during your meeting. Instructions as to how to access SchoolCloud are on our website and a link to this will be included in your appointment confirmation email. During this meeting, tutors will discuss online engagement, behaviour and reward points. They will also note any questions you have and pass on to the relevant people where necessary or sign post you to any other information you may require.

Also on this night, Year 8 begin their formal options process. Regents Park Options Event will go live on the website on this evening. Here you will find video links which explain our Key Stage 4 Curriculum Offer, how to choose and what the process involves. Each option choice has created a video to outline the course. It is important to watch all of these so that you find out about all the choices available and what each involves.

The next stage will be for students to have meetings with staff to formally decide on their option choice. These may need to be done remotely should the current school shutdown continue. A future letter will confirm these arrangements.

In the event of any technical problem with the online platform SchoolCloud, you will receive a telephone call in place of the virtual appointment at your allocated time. Please be aware, these will most likely come from a withheld number as many of our staff are working from home. These phone calls will also only last for 5 minutes to allow tutors the opportunity to speak to all parents. Please bear this in mind, any questions or queries that will take longer than 5 minutes will be noted down and you will be contacted by the relevant person at a later date.

Yours faithfully



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