

Bottisham Village College

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Dear Parent/Carer

Pathways to the Future

Summary of Actions	Deadline
Virtual Pathways to the Future parent information evening	Tuesday 23 January
Pathways to the Future interviews	W/B 12 February
Pathways to the Future deadline	Wednesday 6 March

Year 9 students are about to enter an exciting phase of their educational career: For the first time they will have the opportunity to select some of the subjects that they will study.

Our Pathways to the Future process begins on Tuesday 23 January with the launch of our virtual parent information evening. During this evening, you will be introduced to the pathways to the future process, and we will share an overview of the subjects and courses that we offer from the beginning of Year 10. Following this, you will have the opportunity to engage with a series of videos that provide further details of the courses that we offer. These videos will then remain on our website, allowing you to access them at any point during the process. Please follow this link to the Year 9 page of our website for further information and to view the videos which will be available from Tuesday 23 January.

On Tuesday 23 January, students will have an assembly where they will be introduced to the pathways and learn about what to expect from the process. Following this, on Thursday 25 January, during assembly, they will be provided with their Pathways to the Future booklet which will guide them through the decisions they will need to be making. The booklet contains information about all of the subjects and courses on offer and serves as a source of reference. I would be grateful if you could take time to read it through with your son or daughter, discussing its contents. Following the publication of the Year 9 progress checks, you will be able to find out more information about your child's progress through the curriculum by using our online parental intranet system, ALIS (Anglian Learning Intranet System). ALIS can be accessed through the following link: https://parents.anglianlearning.org

Our Curriculum Leaders, along with students who currently study their subjects will also be delivering a series of assemblies from Wednesday 24 January until Tuesday 6 February. These assemblies will enable students to experience what it is like to study each subject and what to expect from our Key Stage 4 curriculum.

During the week commencing 12 February, each Year 9 student along with their parents/carers will have a virtual 10 minute guidance interview with a member of staff, during











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which their provisional pathway will be discussed and refined. Details of which - including appointment times - will be given nearer the date.

Wednesday 6 March is the planned deadline for submitting pathways choices. All choices will be submitted electronically, and further guidance will be sent on how to do this. Please ensure that your child has accessed all sources of information before making their final choices.

Can I thank you in anticipation of the support that you will give your child through this process. Please feel free to contact us at the college if you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E Marshall **Transition Lead**







