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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 11 Parents Evening 2024

Further to recent communications, we would like to remind you of the Year 11 Parents' Evening on the afternoon and evening of **Thursday, 11th January 2024** from 3.45pm to discuss your child's progress with their teachers.

We are continuing to use the system developed by SchoolCloud. Once logged into this, it will allow you to both book appointments with your child's teachers before the evening, and then, on the evening itself, to speak to them online or face to face.

Appointments are currently being taken: [click here](#) to make your appointments. The appointments booking window will close at 12.00pm midday on Thursday, 11th January.

You will be given the option to arrange face-to-face appointments or virtual appointments. Once you have selected your preference, you will be taken to the next set of options that will allow you to reserve your appointment time(s). In the event your appointment preference, for example face to face, is not possible, go back and select the alternative method to meet with teachers. If all appointments are taken, please email admin@cchs.school with a request to hear from the teacher(s) at a later date.

SchoolCloud is a fairly straightforward system to use and a helpful feature for virtual appointments allows more than one parent/carer to be on the same video call, from more than one device, at the same time. Students are encouraged to sit in on the meetings. For further information and support in this regard please [click here](#).

The appointments for both face to face and virtual appointments will be 5 minutes in length in order to allow most parents the opportunity to speak to their child's teachers; unfortunately for some members of staff, who teach more than one Year 11 class, it still will not be possible to accommodate every request within the allotted time. If the report that was issued in December along with the Mock Exam results suggests your child is doing well and achieving highly, then unless you have any pressing questions, you may consider that you do not require an appointment.

For those of you who have not used the virtual system before, there will be a timer on-screen, which will allow both the parent and teacher to see how much time is left in the appointment; at the end of this time, the system will automatically end the meeting, and both the parent and teacher will be transferred to their next meeting. In the case of face to face appointments, a timer bell will ring. Please be aware that neither the teacher nor the parent will be able to extend this beyond the scheduled appointment length, in which case, if there are any further questions, then a follow-up email or telephone conversation with the teacher

might be appropriate. If you wish to arrange for an additional conversation, please contact admin@cchs.school and include the teacher's name .

For face to face appointments, parents/carers should enter and leave the school through the Walton Road front gates. As you approach the front of the school proceed around to the right and enter through the student entrance and left towards Clouds Restaurant. The face-to-face part of the evening will end promptly to allow staff to transition to the virtual meetings. Parking on the school site will be very limited. If you park on Walton Road, please be considerate to our neighbours.

We hope you will take the time to speak with other colleagues who will be present during the first, face to face, part of the evening. Representatives from Sigma Sixth, the school's vibrant and successful sixth form college, will be there to provide information on the college and give advice on course options. Further information about post-16 pathways will also be available, notably around the collaborative VI6 (Six Six) provision that CCHS has developed. Refreshments will be available and colleagues from the Year 11 Pastoral Team will be on hand to provide any assistance.

We look forward to seeing you in person or online on Thursday, 11th January 2024, and hope that you have an informative and successful evening. If you have any feedback relating to the online system, following the evening, please let me know.

Yours faithfully

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