



Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Post 16 Open Events and Applications

After half term we will be working with all year 11 scholars to support them to make applications to their chosen post 16 destination. The timeline for this process is as follows

- **Sep – Dec 2023** – All scholars receive at least 1 meeting with a qualified careers adviser.
- **November 2023 – February 2024** – Applications open to all post 16 providers*
- **7th December 2023** – Post 16 Fair in school. This is an opportunity for all Y11s to speak to local colleges and sixth forms, you are invited to join us from 4:00pm
- **Jan – May 2024** – Post 16 interviews and offers.
- **August 2024** – Post 16 enrolment at chosen destinations.

*Applications are made directly to college and sixth forms, usual online via the provider website. Please check individual websites for deadlines and requirements.

As scholars can make multiple applications before making their final decision we encourage them, with parents and carers to attend open events to find out more about the different providers, courses, and facilities on offer to them. I have attached a list of upcoming open events for your convenience.

If your child is interested in an apprenticeship, we will be providing apprenticeship application support in school from February onwards. All apprenticeship applications should be made directly to the employer and information on how apprenticeships work can be found here: <https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/>

As the availability of apprenticeships are dictated by the needs of employers and the labour market, they can be competitive and their availability can be unpredictable, therefore we ask all scholars wishing to pursue this route to also apply to a college or sixth form as a backup option.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact me and I would be happy to help.

Kind regards

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