

HBI / GPA

6th September 2024

Dear Year 11 Parent/Carer,

We know that a strong partnership between school and home will make the difference in influencing successful outcomes for all of our students and, with this in mind, we would like to invite you to a Parent Information Evening on **Thursday 19th September** from **6pm to 8pm**.

We have combined the Year 11 Parent Information Evening with a Further Education event, creating one event that we hope you, and your child, will find informative and inspiring as well as providing an opportunity to discuss any concerns.

The evening will be attended by our staff from all curriculum areas, who will be on hand to answer any questions you may have and provide additional information about effective revision techniques for their subject and revision materials that will be useful. Mr Lawn and I will also deliver a 20-minute presentation in the school hall at 6pm, repeated at 7pm, to share advice and guidance on supporting Year 11 students through their final year of school.

In addition to this, we are delighted that we will be joined by several further education providers, as listed below:

- Colchester Institute
- Chelmsford College
- Stansted Airport College
- Colchester Sixth Form
- Braintree Sixth Form
- Helena Romanes Sixth Form
- Writtle University College
- Witham Sixth Forms
- Make Happen*

*Make Happen support young people to achieve their ambitions by helping them remove academic, financial and cultural barriers to higher education. Representatives from Make Happen will be on hand to offer impartial information around the benefits and realities of college, university and apprenticeship options.

Over the course of the evening you, and your child, will have the opportunity to 'drop in' to each of these further education providers and listen to a short presentation highlighting their offering, as well as to ask any questions you may have.

This event is open to all Year 11 students, and their parents/carers. A maximum of three places can be offered per family, although we kindly ask that siblings do not attend. In order to secure your place at this event, please complete our form by **Tuesday 17th September** via the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/kkLJXhKdGD>

We have designed this event to provide you and your child with lots of essential information to help you to navigate the crucial year ahead so we really hope you will make every effort to attend.

Yours sincerely,



Mr H. Birley
Deputy Headteacher