

10 January 2021

Dear Parents/Carer,

I am writing to you to invite you to attend a virtual Parent Teacher Consultation Evening which will include the Year 8 Options process. The evening will take place on **Wednesday 26 January between 3pm-6pm.** 

We recognise just how important it is for you and your child to make informed choices about the options process and to ensure that you have a good understanding of how your child is progressing academically.

To ensure that you are as well informed as possible there will be several elements to the process.

## A Booklet:

We will give the students a paper copy of the Options Booklet; this paper copy will have all
course details. An electronic copy will be available online and will be emailed to you with a
link to the option form for your child's pathway.

Via a dedicated page on the Academy website:

- A presentation from Mrs Deane, Assistant Principal for Raising Standards. This presentation will talk you through the Options process and give an overview of how the process works
- Video presentations from Subject Leaders of all courses taught at Key Stage 4 providing an outline of the course content and what to expect on each option course
- The website will be available on the week of the Options Evening and will remain available until the Options process has concluded.

## Using the School Cloud platform:

- You will be able to book appointments between 3pm-6pm with your child's current teachers. This will include all subjects currently taught in Year 8.
- Subject Leaders of new subjects at Key Stage 4 and available as an option will also be available for you to book appointments with.

Mrs Betteridge our SENDCo will also be available for bookable appointments in the weeks following the PTC to talk through any specific queries regarding SEND.

The appointment booking system will be available from **6pm on Wednesday 12 January** via the link below. We have attached a useful guide to support you with the booking process. The only requirements for booking appointments are the use of your email address and your child's name and date of birth. <a href="https://bourne.schoolcloud.co.uk/">https://bourne.schoolcloud.co.uk/</a>



We would usually be looking forward to welcoming you into the Academy, however in our current circumstances we look forward to working with you virtually to support your child through this process.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Perkins Assistant Principal