

October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, thank you for your support this half term as our students have made their transition into Year 11. We have been impressed with the maturity and determination they have shown, and we continue to walk alongside them as they face the challenges of this year.

Year 11 Parents' Evening will take place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November, 4:30-8:00pm. As in previous years, this will be online via Microsoft Teams. Teams is the platform that students have been using since Year 7 and they should be familiar with this.

Students will make appointments with their teachers ahead of the evening. This will be a valuable opportunity to receive feedback on your child's progress from their GCSE teachers and to help them prepare for their upcoming mock exams in January.

As I have a teaching group to see on the evening, I will not be available to see as Head of Year. However, should you have any follow up queries after the evening, please do contact me in school. If you have any overall concerns on the evening, please contact <a href="mailto:parentsevening@staidans.co.uk">parentsevening@staidans.co.uk</a>. This email address will be monitored by a member of the Senior Leadership Team throughout the evening.

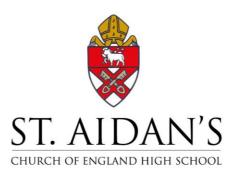
After half term, the Careers Department will be working with the year group and each form will spend a WALK time (Period 1) in the Careers Department discussing support and post-16 options. There will then be the chance for students to self-refer for individual appointments if they feel this will be beneficial. It is possible to book an appointment with the Careers Department on Parents' Evening by emailing <a href="mailto:careersstaff@staidans.co.uk">careersstaff@staidans.co.uk</a>. However, it may be a more informed conversation following the department's work with students in November. If you would like to book an appointment to speak to Careers following Parents' Evening and the November programme, please email the above address.

We look forward to seeing you on the 6<sup>th</sup> November. Please can we give a polite reminder that meetings should not be recorded without the permission of all participants. We hope that you find the evening enjoyable and informative.

With warm regards,

Hannah Strickland





Head of Year 11

