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CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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MR S GODDEN
MR D PALMER

11th September 2020

Dear Pupils, Parents & Carers of Year 11,

Whilst Year 11 has only just begun, it is now the time that we begin to work with pupils to consider their options for the future. As a result of current restrictions related to Covid-19, we are unable to utilise our traditional format of evening events whereby parents are also invited into school. We have made suitable arrangements, however, to ensure both you and your child are fully informed of the options available to them. They are as follows:

Thursday 17th September: Making the Most of Year 11 & Key Stage 5 Evening I

Pupils will end lessons at 4.00pm on this date. They will be escorted to the hall, where they will receive two presentations. The first will detail a range of strategies they should be using to 'Make the most of Year 11', led by Mr Palmer (Vice Principal) & Mr Cattell (Assistant Principal). Following this, they will receive a presentation from Miss Patten (Head of Sixth Form) about routes and pathways available beyond Year 11 both at Trinity and elsewhere. It is expected that this will finish by 5pm, after which pupils will be dismissed.

Both presentations will be made available to parents and carers online, with accompanying voiceovers from Mr Palmer, Mr Cattell & Miss Patten. I would urge you to watch these carefully, as it will ensure you are fully aware of how best to support your child in Year 11, and indeed what their options are in terms of moving beyond Year 11 into the Sixth Form, to college or apprenticeships. Should you have further questions following this evening, there will be the facility for you to seek further information / ask questions via a dedicated email address.

Wednesday 21st October: Key Stage 5 Evening II

Our second Key Stage 5 evening enables pupils to have more detailed conversations with subject teachers about the courses they are interested in studying in the Sixth Form. Regrettably, we will also be unable to have parents on site for this event. On this date, lessons will again end at 4pm and pupils will be shown a presentation, which will be made available for you online. Pupils will then be able to meet with subject staff for focussed and detailed conversations about the nature of courses, subject content and methods of assessment, amongst other things. Pupils will leave with a 'Key Stage 5 Card' which will be signed by teaching staff in the subjects your child has held a discussion in – this will support you in conversations at home. The Sixth Form Application Form and our online prospectus will also be made available on this date. As previously, should you have further questions we will be able to answer these via this email address: trinitysixth@trinity.bexley.sch.uk.

With the amount of uncertainty at this time, pupils should view this as a real opportunity to ensure they understand the options available to them in the future. It also ensures they know the requirements for their next steps. We encourage pupils to join the Google Classroom which will be opened for their year group shortly with a variety of information made available to them. [Google Classroom: Year 11 2020-2021 code:34u34a6]

Yours faithfully,

Miss S Patten
Head of Sixth Form

Mr D Palmer
Vice Principal