

Dear Parents and Carers

Whilst every year is important to us at Nobel, Year 9 is particularly so because we plan key events that support students and their futures. You will already be aware of the Form Tutor event on 15 November, where tutors will meet parents to share how students have settled generally into year 9. In addition, we intend holding further meetings with families and I wanted to write to explain their relevance.

Following the Form Tutor event, we will be holding an option event for parents to explain the curriculum on Tuesday 21 November and a subject parents evening on Wednesday 29 November, during which time progress in classes can be discussed and suitability for GCSE next year.

Once you have attended the three events above, families will be invited to a 20-30 minute meeting with a member of the Senior Leadership Team to discuss and choose suitable options for next year. These interviews will take place between Monday 4 December to Friday 15 December.

We realise that this is a substantial investment of time by parents and the school staff, but we know from past experience how much this process supports more successful outcomes for our young Nobelians. We hope that you feel the same.

Year 9 Options Information Evening – Tuesday 21 November

We are pleased to invite you to a parents' information evening regarding Key Stage 4 choices for Year 9 students, on Tuesday 21 November at 6:00pm for parents of students in Mandela and Teresa houses and at 7:00pm for parents of students in Curie and Eliot houses. There will be a presentation regarding the choices process and you will also receive your child's *Choices* booklet. Students will receive a presentation on the process during assembly time, so they do not need to attend this information evening.

Year 9 Subject Parents' Evening - Online Appointment Booking

I would therefore like to invite you to book to attend our subject parents' evening on Wednesday 29 November 3.15pm-6.15pm.

The school is still using the online appointment booking system used last year. This allows you to choose your own 5-minute appointment times with teachers and you will receive an email confirming your appointments. This, we hope, gives parents some flexibility regarding appointments.

Appointments can be made from 16 November and will close on 27 November. Should you wish to make any changes after this date please contact Mrs Tara Marshall using the email address tara.marshall@nobel.herts.sch.uk

Please visit www.Nobel.parentseveningsystem.co.uk to book your appointments. Login with the following information:

Student's First Name / Student's Surname / Student's Date of Birth

If you do not have access to the internet, please contact Mrs Tara Marshall who will be happy to add appointments on your behalf.

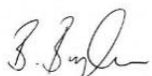
We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 29 November 2017. As 100% of Nobel students matter to us we are hoping for 100% attendance for those invited to the subject parents' evening.

Year 9 Options Interviews

Following the option evening for parents on 21 November and Parents' Evening on 29 November, we arrange the individual interview regarding students' choices during the fortnight commencing 4 December. These interviews, which will last for approximately 20-30 minutes and provide help and advice to support your child's progression into Key Stage 4 and future education and training.

We would like to arrange your interview at a convenient time for each family and would be grateful if you could return the reply slip attached below as soon as possible. If slips are returned later than 18 November, we may not be able to timetable your appointment at your most suitable time. If you are unable to attend, an interview will still be held for your son/daughter.

Yours sincerely



Mr Barry Burningham, Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Naomi Rose, Deputy Headteacher

YEAR 9 KS4 CHOICES INTERVIEWS

REPLY SLIP- To be returned to Form Tutors by 18 November 2017

Student Name:

Form:

I am able to attend the year 9 parents' information evening on Tuesday 21 November

Number attending: _____

I would like to make an appointment to discuss Key Stage 4 choices and have indicated the times that I am unable to attend. (Please indicate the times you **cannot** attend by crossing out the appropriate sections.)

Monday 4 Dec	Tuesday 5 Dec	Wednesday 6 Dec	Thursday 7 Dec	Friday 8 Dec
Morning 8:00-12:30	Morning 8:00-12:30	Morning 8:00-12:30	Morning 8:00-12:30	Morning 8:00-12:00
Afternoon 14:15-17:30	Afternoon 13:45-17:30	Afternoon 13:45-17:30	Afternoon 14:15-17:30	Afternoon 13:45-17:00
Monday 11 Dec	Tuesday 12 Dec	Wednesday 13 Dec	Thursday 14 Dec	Friday 15 Dec
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Signed..... Parent/Carer



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