

April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

### RE Year 9 Pathways

I hope you and your family are well. Thank you for your patience but we have made sure that this Pathways process is right given that we are not in school.

Please find enclosed your Pathways Booklet for students who will move into Year 10 in September 2020.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of this moment in your child's life. The decisions that you make here are very important and will affect your child's future. We are therefore aiming to support you and your child through this process as much as possible.

This year is a time for all of us to stretch ourselves and find solutions to problems we thought we would never have to face. The Covid-19 pandemic has meant that it is not possible to have a Year 9 Pathways Evening (as we had envisioned) or for parents and carers to meet face to face with teachers of options subjects (as we had also envisioned). Therefore we have had to think very carefully about what this process will look like remotely and how we can support you in making the right choices with your child.

The Key Steps in this process are as follows;

1. Information sent to parents and carers. **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2020**
2. Two week window for the opportunity to email Lead Teachers for each subject with individual queries (in which case you will find their Email addresses in the Pathways Booklet on the individual subject pages) or you may wish to email the Options email address with more general queries about the process:  
[year9pathways@poolhayes.atrust.org.uk](mailto:year9pathways@poolhayes.atrust.org.uk) **From Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020**
3. Deadline for parents and carers to return Preferences Form for their pathway. **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**
4. School to contact Parents and Carers to confirm their child's selected pathways. **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**
5. If you have any queries relating to this, please get in touch as per the contact details below.

Please see the following Videos for information:

[Year 9 Pathways - Miss Agha - Welcome](#)

[Year 9 Pathways - Mr Bradnick-Thompson - Process](#)

Take care and keep safe.

Yours faithfully



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