

March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 9 Students,

Being near to the Summer Term of Year 9, your child is reaching a pivotal moment in their secondary education journey; their Year 9 Pathways. This is the moment where your child will be able to make decisions around their curriculum at Pool Hayes Academy and think about their future beyond school.

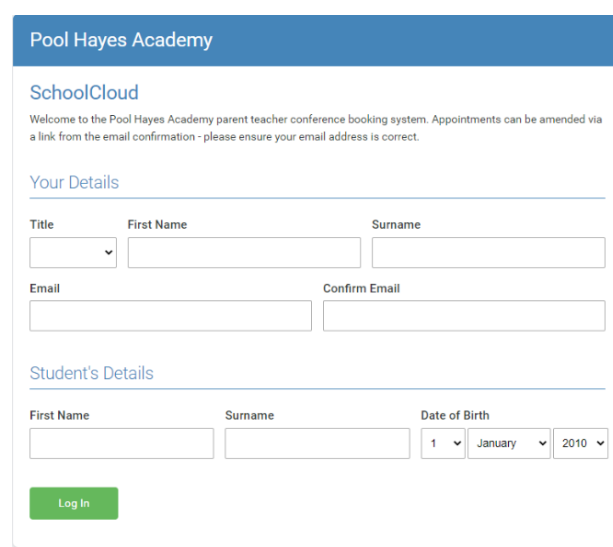
Below is a summary of upcoming Key Dates for the process;

1. Year 9 Parents Evening - Tuesday 18th March 2025, 4:30-7:30pm. An opportunity for parents and carers to discuss their child's progress throughout Year 9 with their class teacher for each subject. This will be hosted face to face in our Academy and appointments will be booked through our School Cloud service.

Prior to the evening we will require you to book appointments for each of your child's classes. This process opens on Monday 10th March 10am and will close at 12 noon on Monday 17th March at 4pm in order to give us time to prepare for appointments.

You can book these appointments via the following link; <https://poolhayesacademy.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/> or via our school website – Parents – Parents Evening and clicking on the link. You will need your email address that the school holds for you.

Below is a copy of the School Cloud Parents Evening home page.



The screenshot shows the 'Pool Hayes Academy' header in a blue bar. Below it is the 'SchoolCloud' title and a welcome message: 'Welcome to the Pool Hayes Academy parent teacher conference booking system. Appointments can be amended via a link from the email confirmation - please ensure your email address is correct.' The form is divided into two sections: 'Your Details' and 'Student's Details'. 'Your Details' includes fields for Title (a dropdown menu), First Name, Surname, Email, and Confirm Email. 'Student's Details' includes fields for First Name, Surname, and Date of Birth (with dropdowns for day, month, and year). A green 'Log In' button is at the bottom left of the form.

2. Year 9 Pathways Evening - Wednesday 26th March 2025, 4:30-6:30pm. This is an opportunity for parents, carers and students to attend the Academy to be given key information during the evening around the process for selecting options, as well as an opportunity for parents, carers and students to meet with key leaders to discuss specific courses and qualifications that can be studied.

3. From Monday 31st March 2025 until Friday 4th April 2025 there will be a one-week window for telephone meetings with members of staff, and an opportunity to email lead teachers for subjects with any queries you may have. You may wish to contact 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 contact Miss F Agha (HOY), Mr A Shakespeare (AHOY), or members of the Senior Leadership Team with more general queries about the process.

4. Deadline for parents and carers to return Preferences Form for their child's pathway: Friday 11th April 2025.

5. School to contact parents and carers to confirm their child's selected pathways by Friday 13th June 2025.



Mrs Lisa Macey
Vice Principal

