



3 January 2023

Dear parents, guardians, carers

Virtual Parents Evening Year 11 - Thursday 12 January 2023, 4.00pm to 7.00pm

On Thursday 12 January 4pm to 7pm, we are looking forward to the opportunity for a meeting between yourself, your child and your child's subject teachers. The evening will be held 'virtually'.

Track Point Report

The Track Point Report will be available on the SIMS Parent App before the parent evening.

Virtual Parents Evening Booking System

The booking system will be available at 8.00am on Wednesday 4 January. Further details re booking instructions are available on the school website on the following link: [Parent Evenings | Poole High School](#)

This system is not dependent on any particular platform as long as your device has internet access, a camera and microphone. This could be a computer, tablet or smart phone. The same web address will take you to both the bookings and the actual parent evening so it is a good idea to create a bookmark for it: <https://poole.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

You may have an additional appointment with a member of the pastoral or academic team and you should see that when you log in if applicable.

The system has standard five-minute appointments that are automated (i.e. not controlled by the teacher). If you are late to your appointment, they cannot be delayed. Therefore, please spend some time before the evening starts to ensure that the permissions for the camera and microphone are set, so you do not have to do this during your appointment slot. It is the first time we have used this technology for a whole year group parents evening so in the event that something in the system fails, we will resort to making phone calls. We will phone the mobile number of the first contact on SIMS.

Please ensure that we have your up to date information and phone number. You can do this by completing the contacts section of the data collection sheet in the SIMS Parent App. It is currently not possible for multiple parents to join from different locations.

If you have any questions that you would like to raise in advance of the evening, please communicate through the Year 11 office: year11office@poolehigh.poole.sch.uk

GCSE Revision Sessions

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of the after-school revision sessions that continue to take place Monday-Thursday for each of your child's subjects. In addition, there will be opportunities for revision during the February half term and the during the Easter break. We will give further information closer to the time.

Year 11 Academic Progress and Pastoral Support Evening

We were very pleased to see so many of you attending our Year 11 Pastoral and Progress Evening, it is a great sign of the level of engagement of not just our Year 11 students but also the support they will receive from home. We were very pleased by the feedback we have received from those of you who could attend – 95% of attendees would recommend the session to future Year 11 parents.

We know that unfortunately some of you were not able to attend. So, we would like to reiterate a few of the key messages from the evening;

- Please make sure you are familiar with the examination rules and key dates
- Make the most of your Year 11 journey, you will be able to make lots of great memories
- There is a clear link between attendance and progress, so be in school whenever you are able
- You can access lots of revision resources on your google classrooms
- You should plan your revision using tools like the adapt app
- Revise in short bursts of 20 minutes
- Use the strategies and resources in the presentation, in your google classrooms and in your blue revision folders to help
- Make sure you try to create the right environment to revise
- Keep doing the things you enjoy, plan to allow yourself time to do hobbies, clubs and see your friends

You can see more of the information in the PowerPoint linked - <https://tinyurl.com/4jtt57ky>

We would like to thank you for your continued support of our Year 11 students in this important year of their schooling.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Gray', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Mr P Gray
Headteacher