



9 November 2023

Dear parents/guardians/carers

Virtual Parents Evening Year 10 - Thursday 23 November 2023, 4.00pm to 7.00pm

Please note the above date in your diaries. We look forward to the opportunity to meet with you, your child and your child's subject teachers. The evening will be held 'virtually', and a copy of your child's 'report' is available on the SIMS Parent App. This is the first opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress within both their Core and Option GCSE subjects and to identify ways in which their learning and progress can be further supported at home.

Virtual Parents Evening Booking System

The booking system will be live from **Monday 13 November at 8:00am**. Further details regarding booking instructions are available on the school website: [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. 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 note:** some staff members will not have access to telephone facilities.

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 10 office: year10office@poolehigh.poole.sch.uk

GCSE Religious Studies Parent information evening.

On **Thursday 16 November 5.30pm-6.30pm** Mr Attrill (Head of Religious studies) invites you to an information evening in the **school Theatre** regarding the GCSE **Religious Studies** exam that will take place in the summer 2024. The evening is designed to give both parents and students an insight into the exam process and the best ways to prepare for this vital step in the academic journey of Poole High students. Currently students are working through an online revision program designed not only to help them with this exam, but will build their revision skills for the remainder of their GCSE examinations summer of 2025. Current Year 11s have learnt so much about their potential across the rest of their subjects from their superb achievement and feedback from their Year 10 exams.

At the end of this session if your child studies any BTEC qualifications, (Enterprise, Sport, IT, Travel and Tourism) there will be a short talk from **6.30pm-6.45pm** by the Director of Vocational Education on the assessment process which starts for your child in January. It is very important to stay to hear this message as your support during this period will be greatly appreciated. **These meetings will finish promptly at 6.45pm** due to another school event at 7.00pm.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Gray
Headteacher