



# WEST HILL SCHOOL

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## **Year 9 Parents' Consultation – Video Call Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022 - 3:30pm-6:30pm**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 9 Parents' Consultation takes place on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022** and will happen via video call. This is your opportunity for you to speak with your son's specialist subject teachers and hear how he is doing in his lessons before your son makes his Pathways (options) choices. These choices will determine the subjects that he will continue to study for his GCSE's. In order to be able to support your son to achieve his best, attendance of both yourself and your son at these video call meetings is paramount. We therefore invite you to book your appointments at your earliest opportunity once the booking system opens on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**.

### **Important Dates to make a note of:**

- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – Parents' Consultation Booking System will open to make your bookings
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – Pathways booklets will be issued to pupils
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022 – Pathways choices form issued to pupils

You can book your Parents' Consultation appointments from any device with the appropriate Internet access. You can either type the address for the booking system or click the Parents' Consultation link from the school website:

<https://westhillschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/> (Booking System) <https://www.westhillschool.co.uk/> (School Website)

Each appointment will last for five minutes. We are aware, from feedback, that due to the virtual nature of the call, sometimes this seems shorter than the five-minute traditional face-to-face appointment, however this is the same amount of time that would have been available during a face-to-face appointment. In order to help to address this issue, please read the accompanying Frequently Asked Questions document in order to make the best use of your five-minute appointments.

If you have any specific questions for your son's teachers, please add them as a message when you book each appointment so that staff can prepare a concise response in advance. The booking system will close at **11:55pm on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2022**.

If you are unable to book a meeting with one of your son's teachers, please add yourself to their waiting list by pressing the 'Request an Appointment' button next to their name. If you are unable to make your own appointments, please contact school.

We strongly encourage parental attendance at all Parents' Consultations, however if you are unable to attend please log on to the booking system and notify us through the 'I'm unable to attend' button.

We look forward to speaking with you on the evening. Working together is vital as we try to ensure the best outcomes for your son.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs D Kenworthy  
Head of Year 9

Mr J Whiting  
Assistant Headteacher

*"Time is everything; five minutes makes the difference between victory and defeat" – Horatio Nelson*