

February 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

**Year 8 Pathways Evening: Tuesday 6th March 2018**

We are delighted to invite you to attend our Pathways Evening, where we will explain the process for your children as they move into the next phase of their educational journey at Stationers' Crown Woods Academy. As I am sure you are aware, there have been many changes in education in recent years, with reformed qualifications in all subjects at Key Stage 4, new grading and assessment systems. We would like to explain all of this to you and your child and help them to make the very best decisions for this important next phase.

Our KS4 pathways evening is on **Tuesday 6th March, from 5.30pm**. There is a lot of information to share so we do strongly encourage all Parents and Carers to attend with their children.

At this event you will be able to find out the answers to these and many other questions:

- Which subjects are compulsory for all students?
- Which subjects are options? How many options are there? Will I get what I choose?
- What do students study in each course? What subjects have coursework and exams and which just have exams?
- What can this lead to at Post 16 and what are the career options?
- What academic and vocational courses are on offer?

During the evening there will be the opportunity to discuss the pathway process with senior staff at the Academy. You will be able to explore all the subjects on offer and talk to subject specialists in detail at our subject fayre which is crucial to ensure that your son/daughter is making the correct choices in the next stage of their education. Please do note that whilst we will do everything possible to accommodate preferred subjects, this may not be possible in some cases due to constraints which emerge when choices for the whole year group are considered holistically. We will explain all of this on the night.

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Parental attendance is vitally important to enable a thorough discussion about your child's pathway and to ensure your child is making the correct choices for their future.

During Wellbeing time and assemblies, your child will have the opportunity to engage in discussion and be given further information, advice and guidance to ensure that they are fully informed about the process and subjects within their pathway.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Millar', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

David Millar

**Executive Principal**