



12th September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Stepping into KS4 Support Evening - Part one of the KS4 journey**

On Wednesday 20th September we are hosting our annual event where we invite our Year 10 parents/carers to come and join us to find out about the year ahead and how this may differ from years 7-9.

Year 10 is an incredibly important year for your child and for you. The way students settle into Year 10 ultimately shapes how easy their journey into Year 11 will be; success at this early stage will assist them to prepare fully for the challenges of the next two years and beyond.

At Stokesley School and Sixth Form we want to give you the opportunity to join us for this bespoke opportunity so you can find out about important dates, digest essential information about the coming year, as well as speak to staff about any queries or concerns you may have.

This year's event will run from 5:00-6:00pm. We politely request that you arrive for registration between 4:45-4:55pm to take your seats in the main hall for a prompt start. At registration you will receive a handout which you will refer to throughout the evening. You will also be able to take this away with you for reference.

The event will consist of a series of short presentations lasting 25 minutes which begins with an address from our Headteacher, Mr Fenwick, followed by a presentation from myself and key staff. The information you will receive will include key information about your child's achievement data, formal and informal assessments, advice on how to support your child to develop positive independent learning habits, as well as advice on supporting your child to maintain positive attendance and behaviour for learning records.

Following this, there will also be the opportunity for you to gain assistance from help desks set up in the LIFE hub area. Senior Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Reed and Director of Sixth Form, Mrs Jeal, will be on hand to discuss Sixth Form applications and entry requirements. Our SENCO and Assistant Headteacher Mrs McGreal will be available to discuss any general issues relating to special educational needs and student wellbeing. Our English, maths and science heads of faculty will be present along with members of the attendance and pastoral teams who can offer advice and guidance within their areas. The school shop will also be open to purchase very cheaply priced stationary along with revision guides.

We sincerely hope that you will be able to join us for this evening and find it a valuable tool in assisting your child to be the best that they can be. Please note that due to high numbers we can only allow two parents/carers per child. The students are being given this information through LIFE lessons and through assembly, so they do not have to attend with you, but are welcome should you wish them to.

Please ensure you have requested your place/s by Friday 15th September via this [google form](#).

Yours faithfully

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