

10th February 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 11 Post-16 Pathways Careers Guidance Evening

As your child continues to progress through this important stage of planning for life after Year 11, we would like to offer additional support to families who may need more personalised advice and guidance about post-16 pathways.

In addition to the main Year 11 Parents' Evening which took place on Thursday, 29th January, we are holding a dedicated Post-16 Guidance Appointment Evening for parents and carers who would like specific support with next-step decisions for their child. Appointments will take place on **Thursday, 26th February from 4.00pm to 7.00pm** on School Cloud with Mrs Collier, Head of Work-Related Learning, and Kirsty Taylor, our Independent Careers Advisor.

These appointments are particularly helpful if:

- your child has not yet made any applications for September 2026 (e.g. Sixth Form, college, or other pathways)
- your child is still considering their options or is re-thinking their current choices
- your child is interested in apprenticeships and would benefit from further guidance.

We will be using 'SchoolCloud' for the meetings. This platform allows parents to book appointments and will also host the meetings as video calls. It is accessible on any digital device (e.g. laptop, smartphone, tablet/iPad). Meeting times will be 10 minutes long. A reminder of how to access this is attached.

The booking system will open for appointments at **7.00pm on Thursday, 12th February 2026** and will close at **3.00pm on Thursday, 26th February 2026**.

We strongly encourage families whose children are still uncertain about their plans for September 2026 to book an appointment, as securing a suitable post-16 destination is an important part of ensuring a smooth transition from Year 11.

I recently shared details of open events for a range of colleges and post-16 providers which took place in the Autumn term. Several local colleges are also holding events this term, and I would like to take this opportunity to share key information with you. These events may be particularly useful for students exploring courses not offered by Sixth Forms, as well as those considering back-up options should their GCSE results differ from expectations. Students can apply to as many pathways as they wish, and they will make their final decision about where to enrol once they have received their GCSE results.

London South East Colleges (LSEC)

Bromley Campus: Saturday, 28th February 2026 (10.00am – 1.00pm)

Orpington Campus: Saturday, 28th February 2026 (10.00am – 1.00pm)



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Bexley Campus: Thursday, 26th February 2026 (5.00pm – 7.30pm)

Holly Hill Campus: Thursday, 26th February 2026 (5.00pm – 7.30pm)

The link to pre-register for LSEC open days can be found here: [Events \(lsec.ac.uk\)](#)

North Kent College

Tonbridge Campus: Thursday, 3rd March 2026 (3.30pm – 7.30pm)

Dartford Campus: Tuesday, 24th February 2026 (3.30pm – 7.30pm)

Gravesend Campus: Thursday, 26th February 2026 (3.30pm – 7.30pm)

The link to pre-register for North Kent College open days can be found here:

[Open Events at North Kent College](#)

Fashion Retail Academy

Saturday, 14th March

Please visit the link below to reserve a space as places are limited and become fully booked very quickly.

[FRA Open Days | Fashion Retail Academy London](#)

Capel Manor College

Open events take place at all five campuses (Crystal Palace Park, Mottingham, Enfield, Gunnersbury Park and Regents Park) on Saturday, 21st March from 10.00am – 3.00pm.

[Open Days - Capel Manor College](#)

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Collier

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