

CAREER EDUCATION AT



WSAPC



YEAR 11 FOCUS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of the summer term and what may be the last term for your child in secondary education. There are lots of things for you and your child to consider. In this edition, we will provide parents/carers of Year 11 students with information to assist them over the next few weeks as the countdown begins to the deadline of 18th June 2021 for the GCSE Teacher Assessed Grades.

We understand that this period of time is likely to be a worrying one for both you and your child so we would like to reassure you that all staff at WSAPC are available to offer support and assistance throughout.

Year 11 students have been busy applying to various colleges/apprenticeships to continue with their education Post 16. We are hoping that when COVID restrictions are relaxed local colleges will be able to open their doors for tours and open days to allow students to make a more informed decision on where they would like to attend. You will find details of colleges that are planning "Open Days" for Year 11's in the near future at the end of this newsletter.

Even if your child has a confirmed place, they can still attend to ease their transition to college life.

Please note it is not too late for your son/daughter to apply to a Sixth Form Centre or College of FE for a course starting this September.

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- "How GCSEs, AS and A levels will be awarded in summer 2021" - Ofqual
- "Exploring Different Careers"
- "Make the future yours!" - A new digital magazine for school leavers
- "Your Game Plan" - CPD certified qualifications that can be added to you child's CV, supporting their career development
- "College OPEN DAYS" - for Year 11's

Simply contact the centre that your child attends and they will be happy to spend time going through available options and assisting with the application process.

With that said, the choice of career opportunities is a minefield so we have added some helpful tips for you and child to assist if they are still undecided.

You may be interested in "[The Parents' Guide to](#)" website, it provides parents and carers with the information they need at GCSE and in Further Education to help their teenage children create successful futures.

They offer free advice and support, opportunities for parents to ask questions on their Q&A pages, access to a wide range of resources as well as the opportunity to purchase online and interactive guides.

It has a wealth of **FREE** resources that may be useful to you over the coming months which can be found by clicking [here](#).

The staff at WSAPC are happy to offer you and your child any support that is required so please do contact us - our priority is ensuring that your child has a smooth and happy transition into Post 16 education.

How GCSEs, AS and A levels will be awarded in summer 2021



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| Working out your grade | Evidence | Results and appeals |
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| Graded by teacher judgement | Mocks, tests and work already done can be used as evidence | Results days AS and A level 10 August GCSE 12 August |
| Not graded by an algorithm | Non-exam assessment should continue | If you're unhappy with your grade, you can appeal it. First step is to submit an appeal to your school or college. |
| School and college assessments can continue | Non-exam assessments can be used as evidence even if incomplete | |
| You'll only be assessed on what you've been taught | Art & design grade based only on your portfolio | You can find out more details from your school, college or exam board, or by visiting the Ofqual website www.gov.uk/ofqual |
| Your teacher will tell you what evidence is used to grade you | Teachers can use question banks provided by exam boards if they want to | |
| Private candidates to work with a school, college or exam centre to provide evidence for them to be graded | Results will be based on completed and future work, so keep doing your best | |

"EXPLORING DIFFERENT CAREERS"

Videos and activities to explore different careers and job roles

It's a challenging task to think about what career and job you might like to do in the future. Who really knows what you want to do in the future? Not many people have an idea what they would like to do as there are so many different careers and jobs out there and deciding on the perfect job for you is very hard.

That's why it's important to explore different careers and job roles, to figure out what interests you and what job you would like to learn more about. Having a job that interests you is a key factor to being happy where you work.

To help you explore what career and job you might be interested in. Answer these questions:

- 1.What is important to me?
- 2.What is my dream job? Why?
- 3.How do I want to be remembered?

- 4.What impact do I want to make on the world?
 - 5.What topics and ideas spark my curiosity?
 - 6.What comes naturally to me?
 - 7.How do I like to spend my time?
 - 8.What are my favorite classes, and why?
 - 9.What activities make me feel happy?
 - 10.When do I feel most comfortable and at ease?
- Helpful career videos to watch are below (click on each title to view)



Quizzes and skills tests are also useful.

<https://icould.com/buzz-quiz/>

Take the Buzz Quiz to develop self-awareness and start thinking about careers. This fun, quick quiz helps young people to explore their strengths and preferences, and explore links between their personality, working styles and job types.

What Do You Know About Employability Skills? Trivia Quiz

<https://www.proprofs.com/quizschool/story.php?title=employability-skills>

"Make the future yours!"

A new digital magazine that highlights the diverse range of career and training opportunities on offer. If your child already has an idea of how they want to make a living, the magazine will be able to signpost them to useful resources to help them make it a reality.



"What is your Game Plan?"

Your Game Plan is a free online career development website that **supports learners to gain CPD certified qualifications that can be added to their CV's and support their career development.**

- "Your Game Plan's" mission is to ensure that every student has the confidence and support they need to make the best decision about their future when they leave school/college.
- We believe that soft and employability skills are paramount and that guidance on improving these skills should be available to everyone, for free.
- "Your Game Plan" will also be partnering with top UK employers to create sector specific courses, enabling students to understand more about career options available to them. In turn, helping young people choose which career path is right for them.



Videos to watch - Exploring careers

[Exploring Careers](#)

[How to Choose a Career Based on Interests](#)

[Exploring careers in childcare and education](#)

[Waitrose & Partners - Supermarket Assistants](#)

[A day in the life of a waitress](#)

[Part-Time Job at a café](#)

[What it's like working at Starbucks](#)

[Day at Work: Mechanical Engineer](#)

[Day in the Life: Electrical Engineer](#)

[Day in the life: Student nurse | UK](#)

[How I got here - Sussex Police Rookie](#)

[A Day In The Life Of A Farmer](#)

[Day in the life of a self-employed gardener](#)

Your Game Plan

Simply sign-up and you can choose from six course categories: *Career Planning, Application and Interview, Skills for the Workplace, Behaviour for the Workplace, Improving Your Mental Health and Lifestyle, and Introduction to Industries.*

"COLLEGE OPEN DAYS/EVENTS FOR YEAR 11's"

We have contacted local colleges in the West Sussex area to find out if they are holding "Open Days/Events" to assist Year 11's with choices and to ease transition into Further Education. Most offer recordings of virtual open days that have already taken place but these will still be useful when making choices etc. **NOTE: Those that will take place between June & July 2021 will generally be "FREE" ticketed events to ensure Covid regulations are adhered to.** Click on each image to take you directly to the college website for more information:

MET Greater Brighton Metropolitan College

16+ college Degree level Courses for adults Employers International **Open events** Prospectus Apply

Our virtual open events are an opportunity to meet our experienced staff, view our industry-standard facilities and find out more about the courses we offer. In addition to 'student life' videos about our support services, financial support and how to apply, you can also watch past talks.

MET College covers Brighton and Worthing areas
Catch up with our recent open event recordings

- 16+ courses videos
Watch the recent video presentations here
- University Level courses videos
Watch the recent video presentation here

HOME APPLY NOW PROSPECTUS COURSES NEWS ABOUT US CONTACT

View our previous Virtual Open Evening

You can watch a recorded version of our previous live stream in full and all of our pre-recorded content by clicking below.

JOIN HERE

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Open Evenings

Missed our virtual Open Evening? You can now watch a recorded version of the live stream in full and all of our pre-recorded content by clicking below.

FURTHER INFORMATION

OPEN EVENT Crawley college

SUMMER OPEN EVENTS

It's time to explore our campus to find out about studying at Crawley College.

And we're delighted to announce our next open evenings will be taking place on:

- Wednesday 30 June, 4pm-7pm
- Thursday 1 July, 4pm-7pm

If you're leaving school this year and are interested in studying with us in September 2021, or are still considering your options, we know how important it is to take a look around the campus and talk to us face-to-face.

Our open evenings will give you a chance to visit the college, meet our team of expert lecturers and find out about our range of courses, even have the chance to try out some activities!

There will be talks about apprenticeships and higher education, giving you the opportunity to discover more about the options available to you.

There are a limited number of places available, and you will need to book a ticket to attend (tickets are limited to two per group).

Visit our Eventbrite page to book your timeslot and confirm your place.

BOOK SLOT - WED 30 JUNE

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Haywards Heath College

STUDY & COURSES APPRENTICESHIPS COLLEGE LIFE EMPLOYERS SERVICES

OPEN DAYS

Virtual Open Days

Catchup with our programme of virtual open events.

Studying at Haywards Heath College offers you a different learning experience to that of a school's sixth form. Our extensive range of A-levels and Applied Generals are taught in our well-equipped labs, modern classrooms, theatre, art studios and sports facilities.

Chichester College

OPEN DAY
Visit us at Chichester College

CCG **Ofsted** Outstanding

We're very pleased to announce the dates for our Summer Open Events
(Monday 28 & Tuesday 29 June)
(4pm-6pm)

You'll shortly receive a follow up email invitation with booking links which we would like you to forward on to your Year 11s* who have not yet had the opportunity to visit us on campus and may be undecided on their pathway in September. These are ticketed events and numbers are limited in order for all of our visitors and staff to remain safe on campus.

*In the event that we have capacity closer to the event we shall extend this invitation to other year groups.

Brinsbury College

OPEN DAY
Visit us at Brinsbury College

CCG **Ofsted** Outstanding

We're very pleased to announce the dates for our Summer Open Event
(Saturday 3 July)
(10am-2pm)

You'll shortly receive a follow up email invitation with a booking link which we would like you to forward on to your Year 11s* who have not yet had the opportunity to visit us on campus and may be undecided on their pathway in September. This is a ticketed event and numbers are limited in order for all of our visitors and staff to remain safe on campus.

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