March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Options Information Evening - Thursday 19 March 2020 16:30-18:00

Further to our email in February, we look forward to seeing you on Thursday 19 March 2020 16:30-18:00 for our Options Information Evening where students and families can hear an overview of the process, (including what choices students need to make) and can visit subject areas to find out more about the courses studied at Key Stage 4. There will be a 15 minute talk by the Year Leader, Ms Bhati, explaining the options process and choices. The talk will be run twice, once at 16:45 and once at 17:15; you are advised to attend one of these talks. Seats will be allocated in order of arrival. Students and families will then be able to visit a range of classrooms to hear more about the subjects within the Key Stage 4 curriculum.

If you have any specific access needs, please email the school on Premises@brentsidehigh.ealing.sch.uk to let us know.

If you would like to view the options booklet before the evening, please use the link below to the relevant section of our school website. This is the same as the link we sent you in February and the options booklet is the same as the hard copy booklet your child has.

http://www.brentsidehigh.ealing.sch.uk/336/key-stage-4-options

Within the booklet you will find:

- An explanation of the curriculum for all students
- Guidance on which parts of the curriculum are core and studied by everyone and which parts have an element of personalisation
- Information about all of the subjects within the curriculum (core and options)
- Key dates in the options process
- Examples of options forms which help to make clear where an element of choice is offered to students.

We continue to support students’ understanding of the Key Stage 4 curriculum in assemblies, tutor time and subject lessons up until Monday 30 March 2020 when the options forms must be submitted. Students can fill out the draft options form in their booklet if useful as a practise. The final personalised options form is given out to students the day after the options evening. Target Review Day on Thursday 26 March is also a good opportunity to discuss choices with tutors.

Students always enjoy the options process and it is a really good time for all to reflect on their transition to Key Stage 4 and the opportunities that offers.

Yours faithfully,

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