



Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Pathways/ Target Setting Evening Thursday 20th April 2017

The Year 8 Pathways and Target Setting Evening will be held on Thursday, 20th April 2017.

Your son/daughter is approaching the end of Key Stage 3 and it is time to begin the preparation for the start of Key Stage 4 in September. This period of transition is crucial and it is vital that we now work together to support them to make considered and informed choices of the subjects they will study at Key Stage 4. The subjects studied at Key Stage 4 will directly impact on the choices available for post 16 qualifications and future employment.

To inform and support parents and students in making these choices, teachers will be in the **Main Hall** between **5:00pm – 5:30pm** to answer questions about the qualifications on offer at Key Stage 4. Students and parents will have the opportunity to discuss the content, structure and future progression for each subject.

At **5.30pm** there will be a brief presentation **in the hall** summarising the various routes that are available and the factors to consider when making subject choices.

At **5:45pm** the Target Setting Evening will start, when you will have individual meetings with staff who will provide you with an update on your son's/daughter's progress to date.

Please make appointments with their teachers, using the online booking system. A link is on the school website. **It is important that your child attends the sessions with you in full school uniform** in order that their targets can be set and discussed with the class teacher.

Following on from this evening your son/daughter will be asked to make their choices and this information will then enable us to ensure that the curriculum and timetable fulfil your child's needs.

These choices will impact on the future employment opportunities open to your child. Your son/daughter has participated in two workshops focusing on skills for employment and has also registered with the careers website - <http://www.plotr.co.uk/>. Please could you spend time with your son/daughter to complete the Plotr careers game activity, which will generate a range of possible jobs for your child, based on their answers to a range of questions. Further information can also be found at the websites below:

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/job-profiles/home>

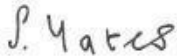
<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/ier/ngrf/lmifuturetrends/sectorscovered>

Links for all three websites are on the careers section of the school website.



Please actively support your son/daughter during this decision making process by attending with them and identifying possible future jobs/careers. We look forward to meeting with you on Thursday 20th April 2017.

Yours sincerely



Mrs S Yates
Headteacher



Mr J Lacey
Assistant Headteacher

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BLACON HIGH SCHOOL **RETURN TO SCHOOL OFFICE**

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Student Name: _____ TG: _____

I / we will be attending the Pathways/Target setting Evening on Thursday, 20th April 5.00pm – 8.00pm.

I / we will not be attending the Pathways/Target setting Evening on Thursday, 20th April 5.00pm – 8.00pm.

After completing the Plotr game and researching possible careers with my child, five possible jobs/careers we identified are:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5

Signed: _____ (Parent/Carer)

Date: _____

Please return the completed slip to Student Services by Friday 18th March 2016 so that we can prepare for this important evening. Thank you.