

Dear Parents/Carers.

We would like to invite you to attend our Virtual Year 10 Parents' Evening on Thursday 12th June 2025, from 16:00 - 19:30, where you will be able to discuss your child's progress, with a range of subject teachers. Please note that some appointments will be available to book outside of these times, due to the need for flexibility for some teachers.

Appointments will be held online and last five minutes each. Once booked, you will receive an email confirming your appointments. We aim to ensure that all parents/carers have an opportunity to book an appointment for core subjects: English, Maths and Science. Please note there will be a limit of 8 appointments per student between both parents/carers not each, which includes the core subjects. Should your appointments exceed this quota they will be adjusted to 8.

We give teachers the option of requesting a meeting with certain students' parents/carers, if they think this will be particularly beneficial, these appointments will be automatically generated, and you will receive confirmation of the appointment. If you then wish to change the reserved appointment time, you will be able to do this when the system goes live.

We would like to reassure you that if teachers had any concerns, they would be proactive about contacting you, rather than waiting until Parents' Evening. There is lots of information on our new website about our <u>curriculum</u>, so you can better understand what your child has been learning this year, and how knowledge is built throughout the key stage.

Please note the following if relevant for your child. To create more capacity:

- For Science, staff will be taking specific classes to discuss either one, two or all three subjects, when you go online to book you will be able to see the teacher allocation for your child. This will enable us to ensure every parent/carer can book an appointment with a minimum of one teacher.
- For Art, Miss Ranshi and Mrs Mylett are both available to book appointments with, however we ask that you only book with one teacher, double booking will be amended.
- For 10Y/Ma1, the appointments have been split across Mr Jennings and Miss Lewis, with Miss Lewis being available from 16.00 17.45, and Mr Jennings will have availability from 17.45 19.30. Again, we ask that you only book one appointment.

How to book your appointments:

The booking system will open in Wednesday 21st May from 19.00 and will close on Wednesday 4th June at 23.55. To book your appointments go to: <u>https://beaconsfieldhigh.schoolcloud.co.uk/</u>. You will need to log in with your details and your child's details. Please keep your login details safe for future use, as you will require them each time you use the booking system. A short guide on how to add your appointments is attached if you have any problems booking your appointments after the system has opened, please email Mrs Neale at parentsevening@beaconsfieldhigh.school.

As we approach our upcoming Parents' Evening, we would like to share a quick reminder about how the appointments will run and offer some guidance on how to make the most of your time with teachers.

Each appointment is five minutes long. While this may seem brief, it provides plenty of time for our teachers to give a clear overview of your child's learning, discuss their attainment and progress, highlight key strengths, and offer advice on areas for improvement. We understand that some parents may feel five minutes isn't quite enough, but with every teacher seeing many families in one evening, we are unable to extend appointment times. To keep things running smoothly and ensure everyone has an equal opportunity, our teachers will be focused and direct in their conversations. If the discussion feels a little to-the-point, please don't take it as being unfriendly - it is simply about making the best use of the short time available.

Making the Most of Parents' Evening: A Quick Guide

Before the Appointment:

- *Talk to your child:* Ask them how they feel about their progress in the subject. Are there any areas they are worried about? Anything they are particularly proud of?
- *Make a note of key questions:* Jot down one or two things you would like to ask, especially if you are seeing multiple teachers and want to stay focused.
- *Prioritise:* Think about what you most want to take away from the conversation—whether it's about progress, confidence, exam preparation, or next steps.

During the Appointment:

- *Be prompt:* Arriving on time helps everything run smoothly for everyone.
- *Keep it focused:* Five minutes goes quickly, so avoid going off-topic or raising issues that are better handled in a longer, separate conversation.
- *Listen actively:* Teachers will aim to cover a lot in a short time. Try to note key points and be open to their feedback and suggestions.
- *Avoid surprises:* If there is a bigger issue to discuss (e.g., personal matters or significant concerns), please request a longer follow-up conversation via the school office.

After the Appointment:

• *Reflect with your child:* Share what was discussed, celebrate successes, and agree on any next steps together.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support. We really value the opportunity to work together to support your child's success. By working in partnership, we can make Parents' Evening as helpful, efficient, and supportive as possible.

Yours faithfully,

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