



11th September 2023

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Dear Parent/Carers,

**Year 13 Parents' Evening- Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023**

On Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> September we shall be holding our first of two Year 13 Parents' Evenings this academic year. This evening will take place virtually over video call on the SchoolCloud Parents' Evening system. Appointments will be available with your son's /daughter's teaching staff from 3:30pm until 6pm on the evening. You will be able to make appointments online from 8am on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September until 8:30 am on Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> September. To book appointments please use the following link. A link will also be available on our website.

[SchoolCloud - Shire Oak Academy](#)

The decision to hold the evening virtually has been taken for the following reasons:

1. Staff felt that an online event was more relaxed and enjoyable when parents were at home as parents did not have to rush home from work, cook, get changed and head out again.
2. Online events helped both parents and staff keep to the planned schedule thus ensuring that appointments do not go over time making parents late for their next appointments
3. Travel time between appointments does not need to be taken into account when scheduling appointments.

During this evening, you will have the opportunity to discuss your son's/daughter's progress and to discuss his/her targets and plans for the forthcoming exam/mock season. The appointments will be held through the Parents' Evening website you will be directed to.

If you have difficulty in taking part on the date and time above, please contact us and we will endeavour to arrange a time which is mutually convenient. There will be a further year 13 Parents' Evening on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024.

If you have any queries, please contact the Academy. You are always welcome to discuss any matters concerning your son/daughter with Dr Singh (Head of Year 13) or myself.

Yours sincerely,

**Gavin Jones**

**Director of Sixth Form Studies**

