

Dear Parents,

I am writing to you with an update of year 12 Sixth Form life.

**PPE results and Parents Consultation Evening:**

The January exams were the first opportunity for year 12 to complete Post 16 level qualifications. The results of these modules will be released to students in form time today (24<sup>th</sup> January) and also be available via the parent portal soon.

There is then a Yr 12 Parents evening on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February to discuss results, progress and careers. Appointments are now all made electronically, please go to: <https://theemmbrook.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/> to book your appointments. I cannot emphasise strongly enough how crucial these discussions are. Many key decisions need to be made relating to progression to year 13 and, for those still taking four subjects, we are reaching the deadline for choosing the relevant subjects for the 3+1 phase.

I also plan to invite Sally Spencer to that evening for additional careers guidance. If you would like to make an appointment to see her on that evening, you will be able to email her direct on [SSpencer@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:SSpencer@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)

**The 3+1 stage.**

For all those students studying four subjects in year 12, this month sees us moving to the 3+1 stage. This is where the students (in consultation with tutors and teachers) decide which one of their four subjects to terminate at the AS standard. They will sit exam(s) in this subject in the summer '17 exam window (late May/early June) and then terminate that course.

The remaining three subjects will be examined via an internal exam window late June/Early July. These three subjects will be continued to the full A-level standard in year 13.

Some subjects (Maths, F Maths, Government and Politics, Product Design and Media) are still following the legacy A-level where the year one study makes up 50% of the final mark. These students will automatically be entered for their AS exams.

Those students already on three subjects will continue studying all their subjects for two years. Those students following the BTec or CTec courses will finish their year one studies late June/early July.

In the meantime, if there are any concerns that we have, I will contact you directly to invite you in for a meeting to discuss progress and next steps.

Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [Pwhitehouse@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:Pwhitehouse@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)

Kind regards

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