

13th January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

At this time of year, we normally begin our first round of progression appointments with our Year 11 students. This is an opportunity for all Year 11 students to meet face to face with a member of the North Gosforth Academy staff or Gosforth Sixth Form team to discuss plans for the next school year, receive some advice and guidance regarding progression and, if they want to enrol in our Sixth Form, to make a provisional selection of courses. Normally, we also give students their own copy of the prospectus.

Due to the current lockdown, we can't run these appointments in the usual way but we do believe it preferable to conduct the appointments face to face so we are going to delay them until after February half term. At this point, we hope students will be back in school. If this is not the case, we will conduct the appointments over the phone instead. We will keep you informed as events unfold.

In the meantime, Gosforth Sixth Form's 2021 prospectus is online for you to browse and the Virtual Open Evening will be live from Wednesday 13th January and can be found here <u>https://vlevm.ga.newcastle.sch.uk/yr12virtualopenevening</u>. Please take some time to view this and think about choices for next year. The prospectus contains lots of useful information about the Sixth Form, as well as a detailed outline of the courses we offer and their entry requirements. You can find the prospectus on the Gosforth Academy website by going to <u>https://www.gosforthacademy.org.uk/article/2021/1/6/current-year-11-progression-appointments-and-sixth-form-virtual-open-evening</u>

If you have any urgent questions, please contact me at <u>chris.ayres@northgosforth.co.uk</u>, I am available to help organise online Connexions meetings with our school Connexions Officer if you are looking into an apprenticeship or college route. I must remind all students that if they don't achieve a grade 4 in English or Mathematics, they must resit this qualification at their new education establishment next year.

Warm regards

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