



# Beaumont School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope your child has made a positive start to their remote learning and adjusted once again to working in this way. Year 9 are engaging well and we hope that they are enjoying the provision and making the most of it.

I am writing to inform you that we will be holding the Year 9 Parent Consultation Evening on **Tuesday 02 February 2021**. We are unable to hold 'face to face' consultations as a result of current Covid-19 restrictions and will therefore be using 'SchoolCloud' to host the appointments. This platform enables teachers to conduct secure video meetings with you so that we can have the subject-specific conversations that are required to review your child's start to their time at Beaumont. Appointments are available on the evening from 4.45 - 8.00 pm. We have used this system in the previous term and found it to work well. Students are encouraged to attend each appointment so they are part of the conversation and can contribute.

From **Monday 18 January 2021**, you can visit <https://beaumontschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to book your appointments. In order to log in, you will need to enter your child's legal name rather than their preferred name. A short guide to booking and attending appointments has been included with this letter. You are able to book and reschedule appointments at a later time if you need to but please note that the opportunity to do so will close on Friday 29 January 2021 at 09.00 am. On the evening, you will use the same web address and login details to access the appointments.

We have scheduled five minutes for each appointment. At the scheduled time both parties will need to select 'Join Appointment' to be connected. This will then signal the allocated time to begin counting down. Please also be mindful that some subject teachers are responsible for more than one Year 9 class and therefore may not be able to schedule an appointment with every student. Therefore, we request that you make your appointments in those subjects that your child is considering taking next year as part of the GCSE options process. This will ensure that, as far possible, all students are able to get the appointments that they need to make informed decisions. With regards to making appointments for Languages, please consider making an appointment only if you have any particular questions or queries, or if your child currently studies two languages and is looking to drop down to one.

If you encounter any technical issues during the evening, or if you have any questions about booking appointments, please contact the school via admin@beaumont.school. Please note that SchoolCloud now allows two parents/carers to log in from different locations. Full details of this can be found in the attached parent guide.

We place a great deal of value on the conversations we are able to have during these evenings, and while we look forward to being able to speak with you in person at future events when we are permitted to, we hope this alternative arrangement is a valuable experience for all. In the current circumstances, we are confident that this method of conducting online video consultations will provide you with the best





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opportunity to hear about your child's progress, especially with the Year 9 Options Process approaching. We look forward to launching our virtual 'Options Evening' on **Thursday 28 January 2021**. Further information about this event will follow to parents/carers in due course.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr A Gray  
Head of Key Stage 3

