



BORDEN

GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Borden Grammar School
Avenue of Remembrance
Sittingbourne
ME10 4DB

30 October 2018

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Re: Sixth Form Open Evening, Tuesday 13 November at 6.30pm

I am writing to invite you to Borden's Sixth Form Open Evening; an event designed to support your son in making the most appropriate choices at A Level and enable him to prepare for a range of options: Sixth Form, University and the world of work.

During the evening, senior staff will talk to you briefly about different aspects of transition from Year 11 to Sixth Form:

- Mrs Smith (Head of Key Stage 4) will go through the timetable for the remainder of Year 11,
- Mr Hopkins (Headteacher) will outline the provision of post-16 courses at Borden,
- Mr Brinn (Head of Sixth Form) and members of Year 13 will talk about life in the Sixth Form and briefly outline prospects beyond the Sixth Form.

The structure of the evening's activities is as follows:

11MB, 11JF & 11PJR	6.30pm	Introductory talk in the Hall.
	7.05 – 8.30pm	Visits to Departments
11CA & 11EC & external students	6.30 – 7.15pm & 7.45 – 8.30pm	Visits to Departments
	7.15pm	Introductory talk in the Hall.

Prior to the evening, your son will be given a Sixth Form Prospectus which outlines all the A Level courses on offer at Borden and across the partnership schools. The prospectus also explains the application process to the Sixth Form and the different entry requirements for each subject. Staff from Highsted and Fulston will be available to talk about additional courses offered within the Sixth Form Partnership.

Parents may already be aware that Swale Schools are now within the Kent online Prospectus to be found at www.ucasprogress.com. If you click on 'Search and apply for courses' on the first two pages then complete questions 1 – 4 on the next page, details of the courses on offer will be shown. They are also available in the prospectus.

All applications for School Sixth Forms are made via www.ucasprogress.com . Pupils have been sent usernames and passwords by KCC (Careers) Service and can start researching options. **They should not submit their applications at this stage.** Applications to Borden should not be submitted until after the Sixth Form Open Evening. Students will be given time in Personal Development lessons to use the website and ask their teacher questions in advance of this event. Applications for the Sixth Form should be submitted between 14 November '18 and 31 January '19.

This is a key event for Year 11 students in terms of planning for the future. We would strongly urge all families to attend where an A Level route for careers or university is being considered. Please contact my PA, Miss Bateman, should you be unable to attend but your son is considering A Levels post – 16.

School uniform is not required for this event.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jonathan Hopkins', written in a cursive style.

Jonathan Hopkins
Headteacher