



17 September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Parents/Carers 'Advice and a Slice' Evening – Thursday 24 September 2025

On Thursday 24th September we will be providing you with an important opportunity to discuss a number of aspects of your child's education at Duke's, from 4.00pm – 6.30pm. Over the course of the evening, you will be able to:

Discuss the Results of the Y10 Mock Exams and the Current Academic Progress of Your Child

As the students begin Year 11, you will have the opportunity to speak to teaching staff and discuss the progress that has been made over the course of Year 10 and what the students need to do in Year 11, to ensure that they are able to achieve at least their target grades in the summer exams.

Find out about Key Examination Dates in Y11 including Vocational Coursework and Exams, Full Y11 Mock Examinations and Final Summer Exams

With some vocational coursework taking place early in Year 11, vocational exams taking place in January and the full Year 11 mock exam period coming up early in the new year (and the final GCSE exam period on the horizon!) it is vital that students and parents are aware of when these take place so that they can effectively prepare to give themselves the best opportunity to be successful.

Find out about key dates for Y11, the School **Learn>Revise>Test Revision Strategy and about the Tassomai homework platform**

Between 5.00pm - 5.20pm, appointments will cease for a short presentation in the Main Hall by Mr Line on what students need to be working towards in Year 11 and what they need to be doing to effectively prepare for the exams they will be sitting throughout the year. There will also be information concerning the expectations for entry to the school prom at the end of the year.

Receive Advice on Careers or Other Educational Destinations

For any students requiring advice on destinations after Year 11, our Careers Advisor, Mrs Towers, will be on hand to provide support. We also have a number of post-16 educational providers attending the evening to give you the opportunity to find out more about the courses that they offer. Currently attending will be: **Newcastle College, Newcastle 6F College, Northumberland College, NE6 Ashington, Seaton Valley 6F, Bede Academy 6F**

All appointments will be face to face and **must be booked in advance using the online School Cloud system**. School Cloud will allow you to choose your own appointment time with your child's teachers. You will receive an email confirming your appointments once booked. Once you have followed the guides below and logged in, the appointment booking times will appear. The appointment booking system will be open from Thursday 17th September at 12.00pm and will close on Thursday 24th September at 12.00pm.

Follow this link to take you to a step-by-step guide for booking appointments online: [Parent Guide for Booking Appointments](#)

Once you have read through the how to guide above, you will need to use this link to begin your login and start booking your appointments: <https://dukes.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Mrs Collin, our SENDCo, will be available to speak to, should you have any queries. There will also be cake and drinks available on the evening.

If you do not have access to the internet or you are unable to access the booking system, please contact the school admin office.

Yours sincerely

Mr B Line
Deputy Principal

