



# Ellesmere

A 7-18 Co-educational School

From the Headmaster  
B J Wignall, MA, FRSA, MCMI

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Dear Parent,

You will have received the subject options booklet for those entering the Sixth Form at Ellesmere next year.

The process of consultation about the Sixth Form and AS level choices began in November with our Careers Conference and Parents' Meeting. Provisional option forms have been returned and the process of building the timetable circuits has begun. Between now and the end of term pupils will be discussing with their tutors and Housemaster or Housemistress the most suitable combination of subjects for their Sixth Form study. GCSE grade predictions and end of term reports should also assist in this process.

There will be a Parents' Meeting in Big School on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 5.15 p.m. in Big School. This will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with teachers, and to seek advice about GCSE revision work to be done over Easter. It would be appreciated if you could complete the form attached and return it to my secretary before 22<sup>nd</sup> March or alternatively email to [hmsecretary@ellesmere.com](mailto:hmsecretary@ellesmere.com) to indicate if you are able to attend or not.

The decision about Sixth Form courses and choice of subjects is clearly a crucial one, and we are confident that we can help the pupils successfully through this next stage of their education. Occasionally pupils consider alternative courses elsewhere, and in some cases such a move makes sense, but most GCSE candidates will stay on to complete A level courses or embark on the International Baccalaureate at Ellesmere. Our academic record in this respect has improved significantly over the past ten years, and the disadvantages of changing schools at this stage need to be considered carefully in consultation with the Tutor or Housemaster or Housemistress. If, however, your son/daughter may be leaving at the end of this year, notice needs to be given in writing before the start of next term.

Yours sincerely,

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### YEAR 11 PARENTS' MEETING

I will/will not be able to attend the Year 11 Parents' Meeting on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 5.15 p.m. in Big School.

Signed..... Pupil's name .....

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