

Our ref: CPN/DKP

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Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back to the start of our new term. We would like to invite you to our virtual Year 8 Curriculum Information Evening on Monday 14 September from 18:00 – 18:45.

Unfortunately, due to current restrictions we are unable to invite you into school, however we would still like the opportunity to welcome you back for this academic year and share some key information regarding the year ahead. This is the first time we have tried something like this with parents and we are very much in an experimental stage; we ask you to please bear with us and we are working hard to provide the best experience we can using the skills we have quickly developed through our online teaching and meetings during the period of school closure.

The virtual meeting aims to provide information regarding the school ethos and vision for this year and will include:

- Welcome introduction from the Headteacher, Mr. Paul Jenkins
- Mastery curriculum and assessment outlined by Mrs. Claudia Beattie, Deputy Executive Headteacher
- Ethos and year ahead presented by Miss Sarah Lester, Head of Year 8
- Core Subject curriculum information videos by Mrs. Sue Griffiths, Assistant Headteacher and Curriculum Leader of English; Mrs. Rachel Goldsworthy, Curriculum Leader of Mathematics and Miss Alex Kent, Curriculum Leader of Science.
- Headteacher vision and expectations
- Parent Question and Answers

We would like the opportunity to address and answer questions you may have through the presentations, please ensure for this purpose that any questions are of a general nature regarding the school and not specific to your child. In order to build these questions into our presentation please send in your questions by Friday afternoon 17:00 to events@aldworth.hants.sch.uk with the subject matter 'Year 8 Curriculum Evening Question'.

We will also be running a live question and answer opportunity through the Zoom comments facility at the end of the presentation just in case there is something general that you think of that may be useful for others too. Again, if you use this facility, it is essential that any questions are of a general nature regarding the school and not specific to your child. We have a time schedule that we need to stick to for the evening. If we have more questions that we can fit in we will send a written response of answers out the following day.

The Zoom online meetings can be run through mobile phones, tablet devices and computers without any app downloads, although these are available. A Zoom meeting code will be sent to you via email and text for you to use to log into the virtual meeting. All microphones will be muted centrally to help ensure the connection runs smoothly and adheres to our safeguarding requirements.

We look forward to presenting to you virtually on Monday 14 September.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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