

5th January 2021

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Dear parent

Although it may seem a long time away, it is important that Year 11 students are planning their next step after GCSEs very carefully, whether it be here with us in the Sixth Form, at college, or in employment. To help make the correct decision it's essential that students research every option thoroughly including what we have to offer in Sixth Form at Ysgol John Bright.

With this in mind, you are warmly invited to attend the **Digital Sixth Form Open Evening**, which will be held on **Tuesday 12th January at 6.00pm**

This year, due to social distance restrictions, the format of the evening will be very different to normal. Instead of meeting subject teachers face to face you will be able to join a question and answer session for each subject that you are interested in and speak to teachers online.

After school on Monday 11th January we will release a range of videos on the school website that will help students find out a bit more about sixth form life and the subjects that are available for them to study. Please look through these videos carefully. The website address is <http://johnbright.uk/sixthformopenevening>

Between 6.00pm and 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th January, students and parents will be able to join a question and answer session hosted by the teachers of each sixth form subject. Again this will be done through the school website. You will be able to drop in and out of the different subject sessions by clicking on the links. You may have specific questions that you would like to ask or you can just listen to the discussions that are taking place. I will also be available on the evening to speak to in case you have any questions that you may want to ask me.

To join the Sixth Form in September 2021 students will need to complete an application form. These will be made available to students at the beginning of February through their Year Group Google Classroom. Students may be invited to have an informal discussion with a member of staff about their application. Successful applicants will then receive a conditional offer, which will be confirmed on GCSE results day.

There are five option columns from which students select their subjects. These are constructed based on student preferences. The final version will be produced following the Sixth Form Open Evening once students have had the opportunity to discuss the subjects on offer with teaching staff.

Key Dates

11th January	Sixth Form videos shared via school website (3.30pm)
12th January	Sixth Form Open Evening (6.00-7.30pm)
18th January	Two week window opens for guidance meetings (available on request)
1st February	Application forms shared with students
26th February	Sixth Form application deadline
19th August	GCSE Results Day

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours faithfully

B. Williams

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