

9th January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 into 9 Guided Pathway Information Evening – Tuesday 21st January, 5.30pm

I am writing to invite you to the Guided Pathway Information Evening. This is part of our programme of support, information and guidance for Year 8 students.

The curriculum in operation at Outwood Academy Bishopsgarth was judged as Good by Ofsted in 2019 due to its flexibility, engagement and promotion of high quality outcomes for students. A key part of this curriculum is the opportunity for students to start the deeper study of some subjects as they move into Year 9. Some of these subjects can be certified at the end of Year 10, and some at the end of Year 11. One of the advantages of this model is that it enables students to spread out the examination load; it also enables the study of qualification based subjects to be broader and more flexible.

There will be a formal presentation describing the Guided Pathway process, starting at 5.30 pm. Following this, you and your child will have the opportunity to meet with staff from each subject area to access information and guidance on the different courses available. Careers advisors and representatives from post 16 providers will also be present during the evening.

Please note - the deadline for completion and submission of Guided Pathway choices forms is 30th January 2020.

I look forward to seeing you at the Guided Pathway Information Evening.

Yours faithfully

Mr T Gaunt
Assistant Principal