



Headteacher: Mrs L Ayling BA (Hons) NPQH

January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Pathways Arrangements

I am writing to inform you of the forthcoming arrangements for your child to choose their subjects for Years 10 & 11. We have a variety of opportunities for you and your family so that you feel equipped to make informed decisions at this important stage.

The key dates for the pathways process are as follows:

Pathways Evening	Wednesday 26 February	18.00-20.00	Parents and students to attend.
Futures Day	Thursday 27 February	All day	Students to experience 'taster' lessons of Year 10 courses.
Progress Evening	Thursday 12 March	16.30-19.00	Parents and students to attend.
Choices returned to school	Thursday 19 March	All day	Students to return forms to School Office.

Pathways Evening: At this evening event you will be invited to attend a short presentation from the Headteacher outlining the options and pathways available. You will receive a booklet with all course details so that you can discuss in more detail after the event. You will then have the opportunity to speak directly to Subject Leaders and staff about the courses offered. It is important to note that this event is to provide information about courses and the experience offered as well as giving detail of examination requirements and possible routes post-16. You will then have an opportunity to discuss specific progress during the Progress Evening on **Thursday 12 March**. Career Connect and representatives from the sixth form provision will also be on hand to offer advice for decisions and pathways post-16.

Futures Day: Students will be taken off their usual timetable and will experience 'taster' lessons of courses offered in Years 10 & 11. This will give them a sample of different lessons and will help students to make informed choices. The Headteacher will also provide a session on how to make the best choices as well as exploring options post-16.

Progress Evening: It is essential that you attend this event so that you have a complete understanding of your child's progress and their suitability for particular choices in Year 10. Staff will provide a detailed picture and can discuss the courses offered in more detail. Further details of this event will follow.

I hope that this provides a useful overview of the arrangements to best support you and your child as she takes the next step at school. I look forward to meeting you at the events as detailed and look forward to working with you and your family to enable your child to make the best possible decisions for their final two years at Prenton High School for Girls.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact school either by telephone or email in the usual way.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Mrs G Fraser
Deputy Headteacher

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Reply Slip – Year 9 Pathways Arrangements – please return by Friday 14 February 2020

Student's Name: _____ **Form:** _____

*please delete as appropriate:

- *I can/cannot attend the Pathways Evening on **Wednesday 26 February 18.00 – 20.00**
- *I can/cannot attend the Progress Evening on **Thursday 12 March 16.30 – 19.00**

Parent/carer name: _____ **Date:** _____

Telephone number: _____ **Email address:** _____

By signing this letter, I am confirming that I have parental responsibility for the child named.