



PGW Sixth Form Open Evening
Thursday 21st November, 2019 at 6.00pm

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are delighted to invite you and your son/ward to our PGW Open evening – to be held on Thursday 21st November, 2019.

At this time of year, students in Year 11 are giving careful thought to their futures. Greenacre Academy is partnered with our neighbouring school (Walderslade Girls' School) and we share our Sixth Form across the two school sites: PGW Sixth Form (Partnership of Greenacre and Walderslade). This is a rare and unique partnership which enables all of our students in Sixth Form (both male and female) to benefit from the facilities and teaching across our two sites.

The Government now states that all young people must remain in full time education, or employment with training, until they are 18. Our successful Sixth Form enables our year 11 students to remain with us and gain the further qualifications and skills they need to help them secure successful employment or higher education in their futures.

We currently have over 250 pupils in our Sixth Form and we have an outstanding curriculum on offer. Our students achieve some excellent results, with over 91% of all our Year 13 students passing their chosen subjects last year. We are delighted to share with you that 100% of our Year 13 students who applied for University were successful in securing places last year – an achievement which we are incredibly proud of. Additionally, we are continuing to work closely with different industries and we continue to forge links with successful businesses – links which our Sixth Form students benefit from. Our Sixth Form this year have had the opportunity to see their chosen subjects 'come to life' having been spoken to by experts from many businesses, such as: legal, hospitality, logistics, accountancy and the fire service. This is unique to our Academy and Sixth Form as there are no other Sixth Forms in the area who are offering this kind of input from such a wide range of industries.

In terms of the courses we offer, there are a range of different programmes, at a variety of different levels, which students can access, including: A-levels, applied subjects, BTECs, CTECs and NVQ in various combinations.

As I'm sure you'll agree from the information we've shared, there are many benefits from joining our Sixth Form, and we would like to discuss this further with you, and your son/ward, at our Opening Evening which will take place on **Thursday 21st November, 2019, at 6.00pm**. The evening will run as follows:

- 6.00pm – 6.30pm: Presentation to Year 11 boys in Greenacre Academy Assembly Hall from Mrs. Bridger (Head Teacher) and Mr. Mallia (Head of Sixth Form)
- 6.30pm – 8.00pm: Opportunity for all students to visit subjects on offer and speak to subject staff. This will be based at Greenacre Academy and will take the format of a careers fair event. This will mean all subjects will be grouped together in large spaces across the Greenacre Academy school site.

To ensure we are able to offer all students appropriate advice and guidance on applying to Sixth Form, we would encourage all students to attend the talk by the Head of Sixth Form and Head Teacher at 6.00pm. Should you be unable to attend this, there will be staff available in Greenacre Academy throughout the evening that will be able to answer any questions.



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In order to allow students to make the most of the Open Evening we would ask students to identify the subjects that they are most interested in studying next year and visit each subject stall throughout the course of the evening. Students can, of course, visit other subject stalls should they wish to do so.

Students applying to PGW Sixth Form will be required to do so via an on-line application. Assistance for the on-line application process will also be available during the course of the evening as well as advisors to answer *any* queries that you might have.

All applications to Sixth Form need to be completed on-line by **Monday 9th December, 2019**. We will endeavour to ensure students are able to study their first choice in subjects however, when completing the application, there will be certain combinations of subjects that may not be possible (owing to our 'blocking' structure). Students are advised to consider a range of courses to ensure they have a back-up option(s) should this occur.

Applicants to PGW Sixth Form will also be invited for an interview during the early part of 2020 to further discuss their application. This interview is aimed at discussing subject choices and to try to ensure that these are appropriate and suited to your son/ward's ability and future plans.

We look forward to welcoming you to this important and informative event and, should you have any queries, please do not hesitate in contacting us.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Mallia
Head of PGW Sixth Form
Greenacre Academy

Ms. Wall
Deputy Head of PGW Sixth Form
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