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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Parents' Evening Monday 27th January 15:30-19:00

I would like to invite you to our **Parents' Evening** on **Monday 27th January**. This is an important evening where you can discuss with subject teachers your child's progress and possible Option choices and suitability of subjects for your child.

This Parents' Evening will be **face to face in school** and all teachers are looking forward to having conversations in person. We will be using **SchoolCloud** as a booking system which allows you to book the appointment times that are convenient for you and is more efficient than your child having to book appointments with subject teachers on your behalf. Appointments will be available from 15.30-19.00. It is important that your child attends with you please so that you are all party to the discussions, positive feedback and areas for improvement. Please ensure your child wears full school uniform when they attend with you and the usual jewellery rules will also apply. If, however, your child is coming from an extracurricular event or sporting/musical activity then they are fine to come in the appropriate kit/clothing.

As a school we believe that strong lines of communication are crucial and we really want to provide you with the best possible experience in supporting your child. You will be responsible for making the appointment with the teacher (via the platform) and when you have done this you will then receive a confirmation email.

Appointments can be made from **now** and will close on **Monday 27th January 2025 at 14:00**. If you wish to make any changes after this date, please contact the school office.

In response to the feedback we received following parents' evenings last year, a popular request was to provide the location of subjects prior to the evening to assist with making bookings. This way time is not lost and appointments missed caused by travelling between locations.

I can confirm the location of subjects below:

Progress Hub - English

Drama Studio – Maths, Science & Computer Science

Gym - PE

Room 19 – RE

Room 1 - Music

Room 2 - Art

Canteen – Drama, MFL, Geography, History, Technology



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Please visit https://boteler.schoolcloud.co.uk or click on "Parents' Eve" on the top right of the school website homepage to book your appointments.

(A short guide on how to add appointments is included with this letter.) Login with the following information:

Student's First Name: «Forename» Student's Surname: «Surname»

Student's Date of Birth: Drop down menu

A reminder that the **Year 9 Options Evening is on Thursday 23rd January**. This is a compulsory event as the Options process will determine what subjects your child will study at Key Stage 4 and will influence future career pathways and/or further training.

Yours faithfully

Mr S Mason

Associate Assistant Headteacher

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Parents' Guide for Booking Appointments



Browse to https://boteler.schoolcloud.co.uk/



Step 1: Login

Login using the link above or by clicking "**Parents' Eve**" at the top right on the home page of the school website. Fill out the details on the page then click the *Log In* button.

A confirmation of your appointments will be sent to the email address you provide.



Step 2: Select Parents' Evening

Click on the date you wish to book - Monday 27th January

Unable to make all of the dates listed? Click I'm unable to attend.



Step 3: Select Booking Mode

Choose *Automatic* if you'd like the system to suggest the shortest possible appointment schedule based on the times you're available to attend. To pick the times to book with each teacher, choose *Manual*. Then press *Next*.

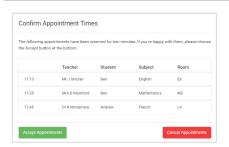
We recommend choosing the automatic booking mode when browsing on a mobile device.



Step 4: Choose Teachers

If you chose the automatic booking mode, drag the sliders at the top of the screen to indicate the earliest and latest you can attend.

Select the teachers you'd like to book appointments with. A green tick indicates they're selected. To de-select, click on their name.



Step 5a (Automatic): Book Appointments

If you chose the automatic booking mode, you'll see provisional appointments which are held for 2 minutes. To keep them, choose Accept at the bottom left.

If it wasn't possible to book every selected teacher during the times you are able to attend, you can either adjust the teachers you wish to meet with and try again, or switch to manual booking mode (Step 5b).



Step 5b (Manual): Book Appointments

Click any of the green cells to make an appointment. Blue cells signify where you already have an appointment. Grey cells are unavailable.

To change an appointment, delete the original by hovering over the blue box and clicking *Delete*. Then choose an alternate time.

You can optionally leave a message for the teacher to say what you'd like to discuss, or raise anything beforehand.

Once you're finished booking all appointments, at the top of the page in the alert box, press *click here* to finish the booking process.



Step 6: Finished

All your bookings now appear on the My Bookings page. An email confirmation has been sent and you can also print appointments by pressing *Print*. Click *Subscribe to Calendar* to add these and any future bookings to your calendar.

To change your appointments, click on *Amend Bookings*.