



January 2012

Dear Parents of Year 11 Students

16 - 19 Information Evening – Thursday, 26th January 2012

I am writing to invite you to attend this important event with your son/daughter. This will begin the process of student application for courses at St George's School or local colleges. I would stress, however, that this is a 16-19 Evening and not simply a "St George's Sixth Form" evening.

The evening will begin promptly at 7.00 pm. **Please aim to arrive by 6.45 pm to avoid traffic congestion and to make sure that we are able to start the evening as scheduled. Please be aware that there is very limited parking available on the School site. However, the "green" car park near the Aim Higher entrance (Carlton Road) will be made available.**

Heads of Department will outline the key features of the A1/A2 courses on offer at St George's and representatives of Oaklands College and West Herts College will also be available. We hope that, in conjunction with our Sixth Form Brochure and the college prospectuses, this evening will enable students to start to frame their ideas about further study.

On Tuesday, 31st January 2012 at 6.00 pm, there will be an opportunity at Sir John Lawes School to attend the Harpenden Consortium Subjects Information & Advice Evening (please see page 10 of our Brochure for more details). If your son/daughter is considering following one of these courses at either of our partner schools then they are expected to attend. Following these evenings, and with the additional perspective offered by mock examination results, those who wish to return to St George's will be asked to submit their application for A1 courses.

We appreciate that many students will have a tentative interest in a whole host of courses. It is not possible to lay on an evening that would allow extensive presentation to every student about every course. The Brochure will provide that broad overview. We hope that our evening will allow students to double-check that their main choices are appropriate, or perhaps start to choose between two similar options. **It may be advisable for you to attend presentations on subjects about which your son/daughter is unsure, rather than those which he/she is certain that he/she wishes to take at AS/A Level.** Some students may wish to spend a session finding out more about courses at Oaklands and/or West Herts College. The Youth Connexions Advisor will also be present on the evening; if you wish to make an appointment to see him/her in one of the sessions, please make this clear on the reply slip.

Please **return the reply slip overleaf** as soon as possible to Mrs Warden, School House Office, but by **Friday, 13th January 2012 at the latest.** It is important to number in order of preference the **three** presentations/sessions you wish to attend, and one additional reserve choice marked **(R)**. Also please clarify how many parents will be accompanying the student, to enable us to schedule the evening. We may be unable to accommodate applications received after the deadline.

You will receive a schedule for the evening shortly beforehand, but **you should expect to be participating in the evening from 7.00 pm until about 9.00 pm. Full School uniform is to be worn by all students.**

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Headteacher 14-19

Reply Slip: 16 - 19 Information Evening, Thursday 26th January 2012

Name of Student: _____ Tutor: _____ House: _____

My child **will / will not** be attending the evening (**please circle**)

The number of adults accompanying my child will be (**please circle**) **0** **1** **2**

The presentations/sessions we wish to attend are (**please choose a maximum of 3 and number in order of preference (1, 2 and 3) and mark one additional reserve choice (R)**):

- ACCOUNTING, BUSINESS STUDIES AND ECONOMICS
- ART (includes Fine Art, Graphic Art, Photography, Art Textiles)
- BIOLOGY and BIOLOGY (HUMAN)
- CHEMISTRY
- DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY (Product Design)
- ENGLISH LITERATURE
- GEOGRAPHY
- GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS
- HISTORY
- MATHEMATICS AND FURTHER MATHEMATICS
- MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES (French and German)
- MUSIC
- PHYSICAL EDUCATION
- PHYSICS
- PSYCHOLOGY
- RELIGIOUS STUDIES (Philosophy & Ethics)
- THEATRE STUDIES
- OAKLANDS COLLEGE (by appointment)*
- WEST HERTS COLLEGE (by appointment)*
- CONNEXIONS ADVISER (by appointment)*

**PLEASE RETURN TO MRS WARDEN, SCHOOL HOUSE OFFICE BY FRIDAY, 13TH JANUARY 2012.
(Please do not return to your tutor.)**