



Blackfen School for Girls

Raising aspirations - releasing potential

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Year 11 Information Evening – Preparing for Success: Ready. Steady. Go!

Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I hope that you and your family enjoyed a well-deserved summer break and are feeling refreshed and ready for the start of the new academic year. And what a year 2025-26 will be!

This time next year, your daughter will be embarking on a brand-new academic adventure: in a sixth form or at college or beginning hybrid work and learning as an apprentice. Whatever path she chooses, our goal remains the same: to prepare every student for success and to support you, as parents and carers, doing likewise, at home.

Our Partnership for Success: communication, collaboration and commitment

'Year 11' is a unique and pivotal stage in your daughter's school career – and it's not a year to face alone. The partnership between school and home is absolutely essential to your daughter's success. By maintaining open communication, close collaboration, and our shared commitment, we can support students as they navigate their final lessons, face the challenges of the examination period and bow out of Key Stage 4 in the fun of the Year 11 celebration picnic. At home, your support makes students feel grounded and secure. We know you do this exceptionally well, especially when you're clear on the school's expectations at key points throughout the year.

With this point in mind, I would like to remind you and your daughter about our upcoming **Year 11 Information Evening at 5.00pm on 18th September 2025**. We're going to help students focus on three key steps:

- *Get ready*: Get your head around Year 11 *now*, so you're prepared from the start
- *Stay steady*: Stay in control and avoid nasty surprises
- *Go!* Boss your success

Next Steps

We look forward to welcoming students, parents and carers to the Year 11 Information Evening, and working in partnership to make this a fantastic year for Blackfen families. Please tell your daughter to keep safe a luggage label that will be issued to her this week. The Year 11 Information Evening finishes with Miss Hoad's **Riotous Raffle** and the luggage label is essential to claiming the goodies on offer!

Thank you, once again, for your ongoing support. I look forward to meeting you in a couple of weeks' time.

Yours sincerely,

Miss F Minnis
Deputy Headteacher

