

7 September 2026

Dear Parent/ carer

Y11 Progression Opportunities

As your child enters Year 11 at Stocksbridge High school I am writing to explain and reinforce a few key points in terms of progression opportunities.

It has been reinforced to students this week how essential attendance at school is to achieve success in the future and we appreciate your support in this matter. There is proven correlation between attendance at school and outcomes at GCSE level, following on to income in later years.

It is a legal requirement that all students are in some form of education until the age of 18. Students will mainly be using a platform called 'Sheffield Progress' to be applying to their chosen provider and there are numerous opportunities for support should this be required. This can be accessed at <https://www.sheffieldprogress.co.uk/> and students have all been provided with their unique username and password. It is essential that contact details on this are accurate as this is where there is communication between the post-16 providers and the student.

The best method to obtain up to date accurate information regarding opportunities at post-16 providers is from the providers themselves, either through reviewing the websites or communicating with the providers at given events. One of these events is at **Post-16 Evening** at Stocksbridge High school, on **Tuesday 3 November 2026 between 6pm and 8pm**.

Students have also been provided with a list of open events in form time and instructed to record these in their planners. These are as outlined overleaf, and you are encouraged to attend these events with your child to discover the range of opportunities available. The open events are subject to change with the providers and therefore please check on the provider website prior to attending. Some of these events do also require pre-booking so please check the websites if this is the case.

Should your child require any further support with this process then please contact myself on mfawcett5@stocksbridge-mlt.co.uk

Yours faithfully,



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- ❖ Barnsley college Parents Information Evening: Wednesday 23 September 2026,
4.30pm to 7pm;
- ❖ Barnsley College Open Days:
 - Wednesday 7 October 2026 4pm to 7pm
 - Thursday 26 November 2026 4pm to 7pm
 - Saturday 23 January 2027 10am to 1pm
- ❖ Sheffield college Open Days:
 - Thursday 22 October 2026
 - Wednesday 11 November 2026
- ❖ AMRC: TBC
- ❖ Chapeltown academy: Tuesday 3 November 2026 5pm to 8pm
- ❖ High Storrs Sixth Form Wednesday 4 November 2026
- ❖ Notre Dame Sixth Form Saturday 14 November 2026
- ❖ Silverdale Sixth Form Thursday 19 November 2026
- ❖ Tapton Sixth Form Wednesday 21 October 2026
- ❖ King Edwards Sixth Form Thursday 12 November 2026
- ❖ Penistone Grammar Sixth Form: TBC
- ❖ Greenhead college Sixth Form:
 - Saturday 3 October 2026 9.30am to 2.30pm
 - Thursday 15 October 2026 5.30pm to 8.30pm