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Annwyl Parent / Carer,

Re: Year 11 Pathways

I hope that you have all had a relaxing half term break and that you were able to enjoy more of the freedoms that fewer restrictions allow. I wrote a few weeks ago outlining the various pathways packages that are available to support your child for post 16 education and employment, and I wanted to take the opportunity to thank you those parents and students who have already signed up to / or completed their pathways forms. It is important that we are able to hold these conversations so that pupils can be confident in the decisions that they will be making shortly.

The link here (<u>https://www.sjhs.org.uk/yr11pathway</u>) will take you to our Year 11 to 12 Pathways page where you will find important information such as:

- Our Sixth Form Prospectus
- A welcome video from myself outlining the process
- Videos from our Heads of Departments
- The pathways option form
- Links to useful websites
- A link to arrange a meeting to discuss options

Please can I ask that all parents book an appointment slot via the School Cloud by no later than Tuesday 1st March. Appointments are filling up and I need to ensure that I have relevant information to support the discussions beforehand.

Following this, we would like you to consider your choices thoroughly and carefully. We will also ask students to submit a DRAFT pathways form by Friday 11th March 2022 to assist us in planning for next year, but you are reminded that they are not tied to these options yet. Please can I remind parents that **all students in year 11** will need to complete this document, even those who do not intent to return.

I hope that this information will be helpful in enabling students to make suitable choices for their future pathways, but if you have any questions then please contact me via email on <u>ojames@sjhs.newport.sch.uk</u> or have a look at our dedicated Sixth Form Instagram page on @SJHSSixthForm.

I wish Year 11 all the very best for this year and with whatever choices they make for their pathways next year and I look forward to working with you over the coming months and years.

Yn gywir,

Owain James Head of Sixth Form

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