Dear Parents

## HOW BROOKFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL WILL HELP YOUR SON/DAUGHTER TO MOVE FROM Y11 TO THE NEXT STAGES OF EDUCATION

Y11 is an important time for our students. We will provide them with the support they need to make informed, appropriate choices about their futures as they progress through to the next stage of their education or training. These are some of the ways in which we will be providing support for your son/daughter over the next year.

Please note that all students will need to be in some form of education until the academic year in which they are 18 (equivalent of Year 13). This includes Apprenticeships and other forms of Work Based Training.

- We will be providing PDC lessons which will help students find out more about their skills, abilities and interests and how these link to future decisions in September and October.
- Students will attend sessions as part of the PDC programme which will outline the major routes at 16 including the chance to talk to providers and students.
- Students will be given guidance in how to find careers information in and out of school.
- Students will have access to the DCS Careers Advisor Anne Brown they will be offered a 1:1 interview via their Form Tutor or they can make their own appointments should they wish.
- Students and parents will be invited to the Post 16 Opportunities Evening and the Brookfield 6th Form information Evening.
- The Parents Evening will provide the opportunity to discuss post 16 choices in relation to academic progress.
- Students will be supported with their applications and interviews.(this includes a Mock Interview in December). We recommend that all students consider a back-up plan to their main choice.

We guarantee that all guidance, information and advice is impartial and up-to-date, in line with the school's policy for Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance, a copy of which can be found on the school website. The Careers Section of the school website also has useful information and links to all the major websites to support choices for both parents and students. Please take time to visit the site! (Curriculum – Careers)

We want to work in partnership with parents to help all students make the best decisions – please feel free to contact us at any stage in the next year to discuss your son/daughter's choices. You can contact your son/daughter's Form Tutor, Head of Year, Assistant Head of Year, Miss Metcalfe or any of our Sixth Form pastoral staff.

Yours sincerely

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