

The Gilbert School



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Part of the Alpha Trust

22nd September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 11 Information, Careers and Support Evening - Wednesday 15th October 2025 - 5.00pm to 7.30pm

We would like to invite you and your child to attend our Information, Careers and Support Evening on Wednesday 15th October.

The evening is divided into **three sections**:

1. Careers and Post-16 Information

From 5.00pm to 6.00pm, you and your child will have an opportunity to talk to a range of post-16 and 18 providers and representatives from the employment sector in the North Hall (adjacent to the car park). Those attending include:

Education Provider/Employer name	Sector
ARU (Writtle College)	Post 16 and 18 Education
Colchester Institute	Post 16 and 18 Education
Colchester Zoo	Animal Care/Conservation/Tourism Careers
ESNEFT	NHS Careers
First Intuition	Post 16 Education
Ipswich School	Post 16 Education
One Sixth Form College	Post 16 Education
Oxford University (Hertford College)	Post 18 Education
Royal Navy/Royal Marines	HM Forces – MOD Careers
Royal Air Force	HM Forces – Military Aviation MOD Careers
St Helena Hospice	Care Charity – Careers
St Joseph's College	Post 16 Education (Independent)
The British Army	HM Forces – MOD Careers
Sigma Sixth	Post 16 Education
The Gilbert School's Careers Advisor (Directions)	Further Education
The Sixth Form College Colchester	Post 16 Education
Thomas Gainsborough Sixth Form College	Post 16 Education
University of Essex/Essex Business School	Post 18 Education

2. Oxbridge Talk

From 5.40pm to 6.00pm, there will be a short talk in the Year 11 Refectory for those parents/carers and students who wish to apply to **Oxford or Cambridge University** in the future. Please note that the talk will start promptly at 5.40pm.

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3. Curriculum and Support Information

Finally, between 6.15pm and 7.30pm (approx.) there will be a presentation in the PA Block. Topics will include:

- Key dates for Year 11
- Non-examination assessments (NEA) and deadlines
- Mock examinations
- Revision opportunities and support
- Examination regulations
- Post-16 processes and opportunities

To help us coordinate the arrangements, please reply using the MS Forms link below by **Friday 10th October**, indicating if you are able to attend, along with the number of seats you require. Please can you reply even if you are not planning on attending.

[Parent/Carer Response Form](#)

Due to the limited parking on site, please car share where possible or make alternative arrangements. Please be considerate to our local community when parking your vehicle. Upon arrival there will be clear signage directing you to the relevant halls.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully



Mr R Samjawon
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs Nikki Burman
Head of Year 11