



# Holy Trinity College

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

As your child approaches the end of Key Stage 4 he/ she must now make choices about the pathway their studies will take at Post 16. In order to assist with this process an interview can be scheduled on a self-referral basis for you and your child with **school Careers Advisor, Mrs U. McSorley HOD CEIAG or additional Careers Teachers if necessary.**

**TWO days** have been set aside for the Year 12 interviews with parents and students and are to be made to the school on a self-referral basis:

Interview Dates: **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

Interview Times: **Interviews will run in 30 min slots from 9:00am – 3:00pm on the two days**

To help choose the most appropriate pathway please **discuss with your child the available Post 16 Options** such as **return to school for A Levels, FE colleges e.g. SWC/NRC/SRC/CAFRE for Apprenticeships or Btec A levels and Gold Engineering/ IT Apprenticeship at SWC.**

The Year 12 students have now received a Post 16 Prospectus/ options booklet and a choices sheet which applies to different pathways available in Holy Trinity College. This booklet provides details of the various subjects on offer in Holy Trinity College and shared A Levels in conjunction with Cookstown High School and SWC. If your son/daughter has not received this information copies are available from the school office or **see Mrs M. McDonald Vice Principal/ Mrs G. Haughey Entitlement Framework Co-ordinator.**

In order to prepare for your requested interview, I would ask that you and your child read the options booklet/prospectus and complete the choices sheet which best suits the needs of your child. Discuss with them possible jobs/career sectors they may be interested in regards the future. Please bring the booklet and the completed choices sheet to your interview if required.

**\*\*To further assist your child in the option process it is good practice to get in touch with Further and Higher Education Colleges/ Universities to see the subjects required for the job opportunities/ courses your child may be interested in at a later stage in their career path.**



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I also highly recommend the following online resources to also assist parents in talking to your child about their career plan and the option process:

Guides to help with Career Planning:

<http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/index/information-and-services/parents/education-works/teenagers.htm> or [www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/chat-with-a-careers-advisor](http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/chat-with-a-careers-advisor)

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/publications/guides-help-career-planning><http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/careers> (pupils have used this in class and at home – **A-Z Jobs/ Subject Links/Get Career Ideas Quiz**)

**Apprenticeships (NVQ Level 2/3 and HLA –**  
<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/campaigns/apprenticeships/>  
<http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/trainingforsuccess>

**Universities/Colleges –** [www.qub.ac.uk](http://www.qub.ac.uk), [www.ulster.ac.uk](http://www.ulster.ac.uk), [www.belfastmet.ac.uk](http://www.belfastmet.ac.uk) – **Teaching -**  
[www.stmarys-belfast.ac.uk](http://www.stmarys-belfast.ac.uk) or [www.stran.ac.uk](http://www.stran.ac.uk)

<http://www.ucas.com> – **university course search UK.**

<http://www.cao.ie> – **university course search (South of Ireland)**

**FE/HE Colleges -** <http://www.swc.ac.uk> or [www.nrc.ac.uk](http://www.nrc.ac.uk) or [www.src.ac.uk](http://www.src.ac.uk)

<http://www.cafre.ac.uk> (Agriculture, Food Science, Equine or Veterinary nursing)

To request an interview on the above dates with the careers advisors you need to ring Holy Trinity College and ask to be put through to Miss Claire Mulgrew (General Office) who is arranging the appointments. Please contact the school office as soon as possible once you have had a chance to look over the option information with your child. **All appointments must be made at the latest Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 12:00pm** to allow class cover to be arranged for the careers advisors. Any issues or further enquires don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

U McSorley  
Leader of CEIAG (Year 10-14)



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