

25<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Post-16 Options for Your Child's Future

As we move through this academic year, our focus turns to supporting pupils in exploring the various pathways available to them after they complete Year 11. To this end, we are committed to equipping them with the information and resources they need to make an informed choice about their post-16 education and career options.

In July, your child attended a comprehensive Careers Fair, where they had the opportunity to meet representatives from local colleges, apprenticeship providers, and employers. This term, we continue to invite local colleges to speak to pupils about the courses and training programmes they offer, helping them understand the different paths available.

We encourage you to visit our school website and navigate to the '**Character Curriculum – Careers**' section under **Curriculum**. This resource is designed for both pupils and parents to explore various post-16 pathways together, including information on T-Levels, apprenticeships, and guides on career options across diverse industries. You will also find details on providers and resources to help guide career conversations at home.

Some colleges have already published application deadlines, and it's important that pupils interested in applying to these institutions are aware of these dates:

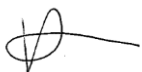
- **Aquinas:** 30th November 2024
- **Fallibroome Sixth Form:** 2nd December 2024
- **Loreto:** 10th January 2025
- **Xaverian:** 17th January 2025

To assist pupils in planning ahead, we recommend taking time together to review these options and deadlines. Doing so can support them in finding the right pathway that aligns with their interests and aspirations.

If you have any questions or would like further guidance, please do not hesitate to contact me as Head of Learning.

Thank you for your continued support in helping your child make this important decision.

Yours sincerely,



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