

September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Year 11 Careers Interviews**

I am writing to introduce myself as the school's Careers Advisor, supporting your child with their **post-16 career plans**.

During this term, all Year 11 pupils will take part in a **one-to-one careers interview** in school. These sessions provide impartial information, advice, and guidance on the options available after they leave school in June 2025. Following the interview, each pupil will receive a personalised action plan. We strongly encourage you to review this plan with your child to support them in making well-informed decisions about their next steps.

As you may be aware, the Government requires all young people to remain in some form of education or training until the end of the academic year in which they turn 18. This makes careful planning and informed decision-making more important than ever.

To support this process, we will be sharing information about local college and sixth form **open events**, many of which begin in October. We encourage you and your child to attend these events to explore the range of opportunities available before making final decisions.

Applications to post-16 providers (via each institution's website) typically open from **October/November 2025** onwards, once open evenings have taken place. We aim for all pupils to complete their applications by the end of **December 2025** wherever possible. Interviews with colleges and sixth forms are usually scheduled from January onwards, prior to the start of the examination season.

We greatly value parental involvement in this process, as making career choices can feel overwhelming for both pupils and families. If you would like to arrange a meeting to discuss your child's options, I would be happy to meet with you during the school day or after school.

If you would like to arrange an appointment, please contact me directly at ree.suchak@georgeeliotacademy.org.uk.

We look forward to supporting your child as they plan for their future beyond Year 11.

Yours sincerely

Ree Suchak Careers Advisor

