

## Year 9 Parents' Progress and Options Evening Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Dear parents and carers,

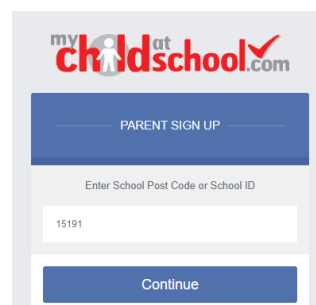
We are writing to invite to the Year 9 Parents' Progress and Options Evening. This is a key transition point for your child as they near the end of KS3 and prepare to start GCSEs and other qualifications in Years 10 and 11. The time is also fast approaching when options have to be made which will decide their suite of qualifications.

Our Key Stage 4 structure has been designed to enable our students to follow a broad and balanced curriculum. All students must follow a GCSE course in English, Maths and Science. Students will also study in the following areas: Core Physical Education, PSHCE, RHSE, RE and careers. In addition to this, they will be able to select from options from a range of options depending on their pathway.

The parent-teacher meetings are to be held on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January from 4.30pm - 6.30pm**. There will be an important **presentation** to explain the **Year 9 Options process at 4pm and 5pm**. Please try to attend one of them. Students will be focussing on forming their choices in school over the next few weeks.

We are now using a new system called Bromcom for this and also for future communications. Please follow the below steps to book your parents' evening appointments on our **new system BROMCOM**:

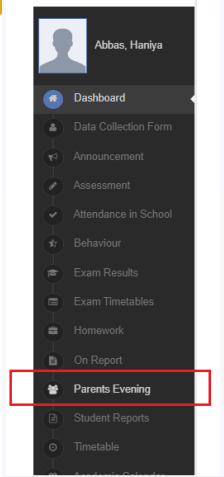
- To make your appointments please login at: <http://www.mychildatschool.com>
- Follow the set-up instructions below.
- You will be able to book appointments until Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January when bookings will close.
- Click on **PARENT SIGN UP** and enter the **school ID: 15191** or **Postcode: HD4 6JN**



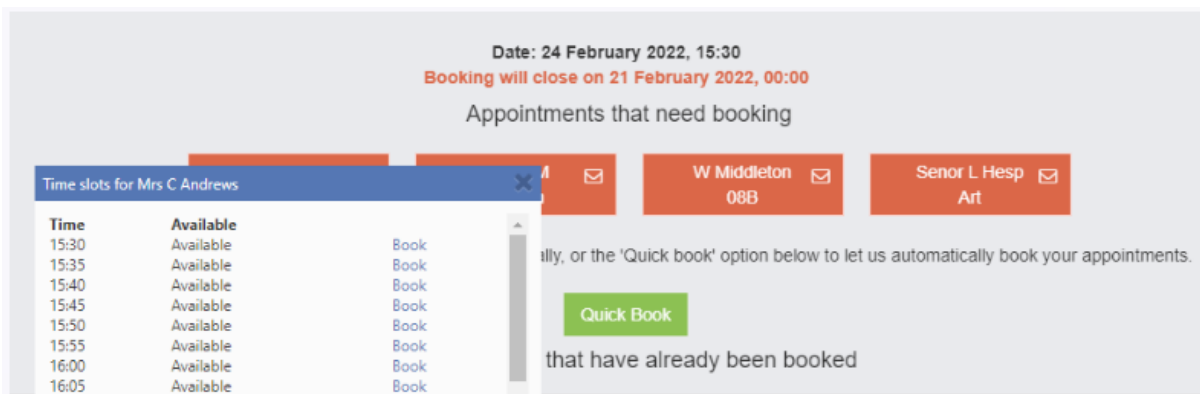
The screenshot shows the 'mychildatschool.com' website interface. At the top, there is a blue button labeled 'PARENT SIGN UP'. Below this, there is a text input field with the placeholder 'Enter School Post Code or School ID' and the value '15191' entered. At the bottom of the form, there is a blue button labeled 'Continue'.

- Enter **your email address** (this **MUST** be the email address we have **on record** for you and you **MUST** have **parental responsibility**).

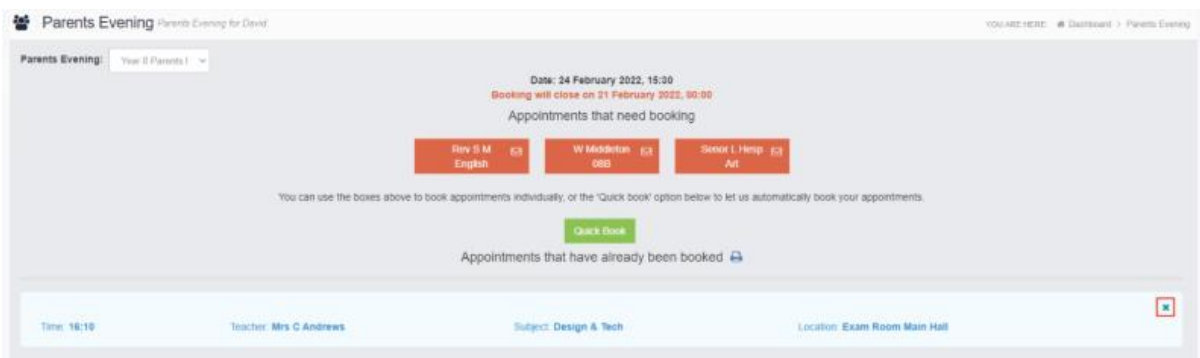
- Select **Parents Evening** from the menu on the left. See example below:



- This will open the Parents Evening page. The **available appointments** are displayed in **red blocks**, click on a **Red Block to Book your Appointment**. Then from the available listed **Times** click on the word **Book** to the right.



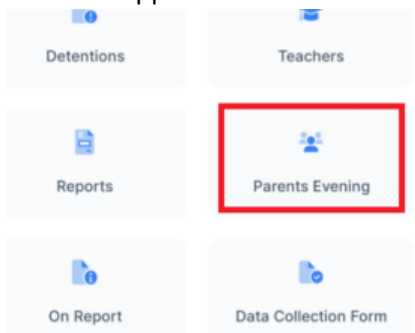
- The Booked Block will then be removed from the Appointments list and displayed below as Booked. **To remove the Booking click on the X** to the right. The Appointment will then display at the top again ready to be Booked again.



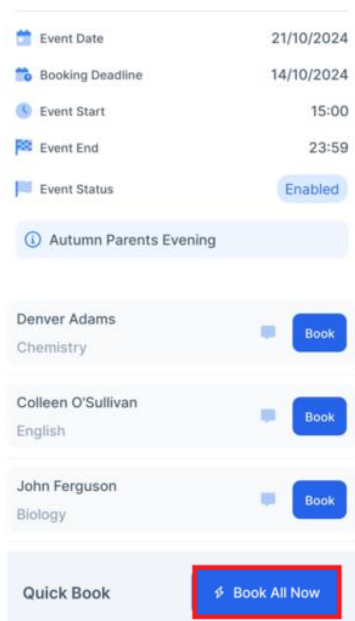
- Alternatively, you can click on the **green Quick Book** button and the best available appointments for your child’s teachers will be automatically booked.

You can also **download** the **MCAS (My Child At School) app**. This will be rolled out to all parents for future communications, so we recommend doing this now.

- From the app select **Parents Evening** from the menu.



- You will see a list of all the teachers you are able to book sessions with. Click Book All Now at the bottom of the screen or select to book individually.




Please don't hesitate to contact us by phone or email if you are having any technical issues: [office@newsomeacademy.co.uk](mailto:office@newsomeacademy.co.uk) (01484 516712)

Remember, you can always get in touch with our Curriculum Leads for subject related queries - these and the Pastoral Leads are all listed on our website as below:

- **English:** Mr Whitworth, lwhitworth@newsomeacademy.co.uk
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- **Business & Computing:** Mr Balmforth, mbalmforth@newsomeacademy.co.uk
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Yours faithfully,



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