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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Learning Pathways**

Learning Pathways is one of the most important times for year 9. Students begin to take responsibility for choosing their learning routes in order to equip them for the future.

To launch the Pathways process and to help our students begin to think about the future, we will be taking Year 9 in tutor groups to visit Bridgwater College with a focus on future learning opportunities. The visit will take place during school time as follows:

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January – 9PE & 9B & some 9H**  
**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January – 9C & 9A & some 9H**  
**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January – 9J & 9T**

At Chilton we are committed to supporting both your child and you through this process and as such, I am pleased to invite you to **the pathways evening on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2012, at 6.00 – 8.00pm.**

This evening is designed to help students and parents begin their discussions about which subjects and courses they will choose to follow in Years 10 and 11. Each subject area will be represented at the evening and there will be an opportunity to discuss the course content with each team leader. We are also fortunate to have representatives from Bridgwater College in attendance on the evening to share their knowledge and expertise about the courses they will be providing for our students in years 10 and 11.

Mrs Allen, our Deputy Head, will lead a presentation in the hall at 6.45pm which will outline the process and pose questions for consideration when making these important choices. The selection of the correct pathway for each individual is so important because it will affect their future opportunities both in the world of further education and in the world of work.

We therefore look forward to welcoming parents and carers along with their Year 9 children on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 6pm. The Pathways booklet will be available to collect that evening and take away for your careful consideration.

Together we can ensure each student makes the right choice!

Yours sincerely

Mrs R Henderson  
Pastoral Team Leader