



Tuesday 15th September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Next Steps Day- Friday 21st November 2025

To ensure that your child makes a careful choice of destination for September 2026, we have organised several careers events that will take place throughout the academic year. One of these is Next Steps Day, which will take place on **Friday 21st November 2025**. Your child can select to either attend Barr Beacon School to experience Sixth Form lessons, or one of two Birmingham Metropolitan (BMET) colleges.

Option 1 - Barr Beacon Sixth Form Experience Day

- Pupils will choose **6** subjects from the extensive list of A Level and BTEC Level 3 courses on offer (see table below) and have a 30-minute taster session in each subject throughout the day.
- Pupils will arrive to school at their normal time and will depart at 12:30pm.
- Pupils may dress smartly in-line with the 6th Form dress code, which can be found on our website or wear their normal school uniform. Pupils do not need to purchase a suit for this day.

	Session 1 09.10 – 09.40	Session 2 09.40 – 10.10	Session 3 10.10 – 10.40	Session 4 10.40 – 11.10	Session 5 11.30 – 12.00	Session 6 12.00 – 12.30
A Level	Physics Psychology Chemistry Biology English Language / Literature	Physics Psychology Chemistry Biology English Language / Literature	Computer Science Mathematics/Further Mathematics History Sociology	Computer Science Mathematics/Further Mathematics History Sociology	Geography Philosophy & Ethics French Mathematics	Geography Philosophy & Ethics French Statistics
BTEC	Business Art & Design	Business Art & Design	Media Health & Social Care	Media Health & Social Care	BTEC Sport Applied Law Information Technology	BTEC Sport Applied Law Information Technology



Option 2 – Birmingham Metropolitan College Experience Day

- Pupils choose 1 subject from the workshops on offer (see table below).
- The subject they choose will determine the college they need to attend.
- Regardless of the college they attend, each pupil will have a presentation about college life and will be assisted with how to complete a college application.
- Pupils will make their own way to and from their selected college and meet Barr Beacon staff at the allocated meeting point at 9:15am. They will depart at approximately 12:35pm.
- Pupils should wear smart attire, no low-cut tops, short skirts, hoodies or sportswear are permitted. Sensible footwear should also be worn. Pupils should not wear any clothing that contains logos or statements that others may find offensive.

Sutton Coldfield College	James Watt College
A Levels Business Law & Criminology Accounts Computer Science Fashion & Textiles Health & Social Care Horticulture Graphic Design Performance and Production Football Academy Sport Travel & Tourism Uniformed Public Services Science Fine Art 3D Design Basketball Academy	Construction Engineering Games Design Media Health & Social Care Early Years
For more information about these courses and September 2026 entry requirements visit www.bmet.ac.uk	

You will now need to decide with your child, what they want to do for Next Steps Day. Please complete one of the Microsoft Forms for either Birmingham Metropolitan Colleges or Barr Beacon Sixth form by **Thursday 18th September 2025**. Follow the links below or scan the QR codes.

Barr Beacon Sixth Form Microsoft Form

Follow me for Next Steps Day at Barr Beacon Sixth Form; <https://forms.office.com/e/EF7hBJJY1>

Scan me for Next Steps Day at Barr Beacon Sixth Form.



Sutton Coldfield College Microsoft Form

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Our Sixth Form Open Evening will be held on **Thursday 27th November 2025 from 6.00pm -8.00pm**. This evening will start with a brief presentation and it will be an opportunity to find out more about the courses that are available to your child. If you have any further queries about Next Steps Day, please contact Mr Foster (Assistant Headteacher) via postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,



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