



23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

## Year 9 Parents' Evenings March 2026

We are pleased to let you know that this year we are returning to in-person appointments for our Parents' Evenings. We believe that face-to-face meetings will provide a meaningful opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate successes, and work together to support their journey through this crucial GCSE year.

- **Avonbourne Boys' Academy Year 9 Parents' Evening:**
- **Wednesday 11th March, 4:30–7:00 PM**  
Appointment booking opens at **9:00 AM on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February.**
- **Avonbourne Girls' Academy Year 9 Parents' Evening:**
- **Thursday 12th March, 4:30–7:00 PM**  
Appointment booking opens at **9:00 AM on Thursday 26th February.**

Appointments are 5 minutes in length and can be booked via the **Arbor Parent App**. For guidance on how to book, please use the following link:

👉 <https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/203792102-Booking-Guardian-Consultations-Parent-s-Evenings-on-the-Parent-Portal-or-Parent-App>

**Please note:** Appointment booking will close at 3:30 PM the day before each Parents' Evening to allow staff time to prepare for meetings. On the Arbor App, you can also add notes if there is anything specific you would like to discuss during your appointment.

### On the Evening

Parents are welcome to arrive from **4:20 PM** and should enter via **Student Reception**, where you will be greeted and signed in. Refreshments will be available in our **Block B Hall**, providing an opportunity to relax before your appointments begin. All meetings will take place in **Block B**, and clear signage will be in place to help you navigate the location of staff. Appointments with staff will be held in one of three rooms – the library, the hall and the sports hall. All these rooms are next to each other. You will also receive a map and a **paper copy of your child's most recent report** upon arrival.

We strongly encourage students to attend alongside their parents or carers, as these conversations are most effective when everyone is involved.



## Separate Appointments

We understand that in some circumstances parents may prefer to have separate appointments from their child's other parent or guardian. While we will always try to support families where possible, please be aware that arranging separate appointments significantly reduces the number of available slots for other students. Our priority is to ensure that as many parents and carers as possible have the opportunity to meet with teachers during this important evening.

If you feel this is essential, please contact the Year Team at [classof2030@avonbourneacademy.org.uk](mailto:classof2030@avonbourneacademy.org.uk) as soon as possible. We will do our best to accommodate your request, but we kindly ask that this option is only used when absolutely necessary.

We look forward to welcoming you and working together to support your child's success.

Yours sincerely,

**Mike Wood**  
**Assistant Principal**  
**Year 9 Raising Standards**

**Nikki Dadson**  
**Assistant Principal**

**Emma Farrell**  
**Head of Year 9**