



Sally Banfield
Headteacher

29th January 2026

Dear Parents and Families of Year 11 students,

Re: Sixth Form Expression of Interest for September 2026

Please find attached an 'Expression of Interest' form for your young person to complete if they would like to join our Sixth Form in September 2026. Please help them to complete the form as fully as possible, indicating clearly which programme they think would be most suited to their needs (see Sixth Form Prospectus, which has been emailed to you, for more information), and which vocational pathway they wish to follow.

Please note that completion of this form does not guarantee a place in the Sixth Form and is not an application as this decision is made by the Local Authority. The purpose of the form is to allow us to plan ahead and also give your young person the opportunity to ask any questions they may have about the Sixth Form in an informal discussion that will happen once their form has been received. Please return completed forms in an envelope to school marked 'For the attention of the Head of Sixth Form' or email to rmoakes@combepafford.torbay.sch.uk

For students that receive confirmation of a place from the Local Authority, there will be a 3-day induction in the Sixth Form on July 8th, 9th and 10th, details to be circulated nearer the time. There will also be a parents' evening held in the Sixth Form for new students on Wednesday 8th July 5.30pm – 6.30pm.

Once your young person reaches Year 12, home-school transport is no longer funded by the Local Authority. There is an expectation that, where possible, students will travel independently to Sixth Form and their work placement. This is especially important for students on the Ready for Work (W) programme but applies to other students unless it can be demonstrated that there is a need for home-school transport to continue. To this end, travel training will be offered to all students joining the Sixth Form in the summer term before we break up and students are advised to take up this opportunity.

PLEASE NOTE: Once the Local Authority have confirmed that your young person has been offered a place, it is the parent's responsibility to contact the Local Authority to confirm your young person's post 16 transport arrangements for the 2026/27 academic year, this is not organised by Combe Pafford School.

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The school has a bursary fund and parents can apply for a refund of the monthly or termly cost of this travel expense. If your young person is offered a place and you would like to apply, please read the attached Post 16 Transport Guidelines.

Please do make contact if you have further questions or would like to discuss any aspect of joining the Sixth Form. Steph Morgan (Careers Advisor) will also be joining the Year 11 Careers lessons next week to answer any questions the students may have and offer support to complete the form if required.

Yours sincerely,

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