Dear Parent/Carer,

Progression Week and Year 2 Tutorial Pathways

I am writing to let you know about the forthcoming **Progression Week** for students, which is happening after May half term, from **Monday 1 June** to **Friday 5 June**. Progression Week is designed to be the launch of the second year (A2) tutorial journey. In order that we are able to tailor second year tutorial sessions to particular pathways and application deadlines, students have opted for one of five different options broadly based on their intended destination and career aim after BHASVIC.

During Progression Week, students will follow an individual programme of events and activities, based on helping them to understand their next steps and complete further detailed research into different options, application processes and entry requirements. **Details of this were e-mailed to all students at the beginning of this week, signposting where to find their Progression Week research pack, the dates and times of introductory webinars and Q&A sessions and confirming their second year (A2) tutorial pathway.**

Just before lockdown, we were able to complete our parent/carer **HE Information Evenings** which gave information, advice and guidance on UCAS, Student Finance and how to support your young person in researching different subject choices, course entry requirements and universities. The information can be found HERE.

We will also be placing additional resources and information from Progression Week, including recordings of Introductory webinars and Q&A sessions visual arts applications, apprenticeships, and other specialist pathways on the Careers and Employability page <u>HERE</u>. Additional links to resources for Oxbridge and Medics will also be placed on the <u>HE page</u>. These will be available from 1 June.

For a number of years, we have partnered with different organisations to support our usual progression activities, and this year **Brighton university** is offering a general **Parent/Carer webinar 'Thinking about University' on Thursday 21 May 5.30pm-7.30pm** as well as further <u>subject-specific info events</u> throughout the coming few weeks.

Many Universities are currently offering virtual tours and online events – see, as an example, Sussex University's page <u>here</u> and there are dedicated pages for parents and carers on many University websites.

Amazing Apprenticeships has also produced this up-to-date <u>parent/carer guide</u> and you can get more information from the <u>Government website</u>.

Oxbridge, Medical Careers, Visual Arts and Employability and Enterprise tutors will be producing further information for parents and carers which will be posted for you to access on our parent/carer website during Progression Week.

Obviously, we have had to adapt our usual processes to suit remote working, so please do bear with us as we update the information and post it over the coming weeks. However, I do hope that you are able to support your young person to make informed decisions in embarking on their next steps after BHASVIC. If you have been unable to locate the information you need following Progression Week, please do e-mail careers@bhasvic.ac.uk or HE@bhasvic.ac.uk and we will endeavour to assist further.

Finally, if your young person thinks they have been allocated the wrong A2 tutorial pathway, they should speak to their tutor in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

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