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Dear Year 11 students and parents,

We are very pleased to invite you to our EPQ Presentation Evening on **Monday, 4 March 4.00-6.00pm** in the Main School Hall.

The EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) is an independent research project offered to Y12 students to undertake alongside their A Levels. It is the equivalent of half an A Level and, therefore, worth up to 28 UCAS points. Universities hold the EPQ in high regard and will often provide adjusted offers to students who receive a good grade in it; this can make the difference between gaining a place at the university of choice. Students are allowed to research any area that they wish and have to produce either an artefact, a performance, a report or a 5,000 word dissertation as the outcome to their research. It is all student led with the support of their HGS EPQ supervisor.

Our students have been busy planning, undertaking and compiling their independent research since they began back at Sixth Form Induction last July and would now love to share their work with you and receive your feedback.

To give you a flavour of what they are exploring here are some of their titles. As you can see they are very varied!

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The format of the event will see all students with a display area to showcase their EPQ project where they will present their experiences and findings to you as you look around the event. The EPQ team and I will be using this opportunity to also assess their presentation skills and the students will ask you to provide informal written/oral feedback which will contribute to and assist them with their final evaluations ahead of their final submission at the end of March.

We hope that you will be able to join us to celebrate the achievements of our students so that you can see what is involved if you are considering an EPQ in Year 12 and very much look forward to seeing you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Cooper  
Assistant Head  
EPQ Lead

