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PSHE Parent Talks 2025-2026

Working in Partnership

At Halliford School, the wellbeing, happiness, and achievement of our students are at the heart of all we do.

We understand that true success is built on strong partnerships between students, staff, and parents. Our Parent Talks Programme is designed to deepen the connection between home and school, providing opportunities for parents and staff to come together and discuss the challenges young people face today. Beyond this, we offer parents the chance to consult with staff about the curriculum, including the option to withdraw from specific content after thorough discussion and consideration of the topics involved.

Our comprehensive PSHE (Personal, Social, Health, and Economic Education) and RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) at Halliford School is dedicated to equipping students with the knowledge, skills, and attributes they need to stay safe, maintain their physical and mental health, and prepare for life beyond Halliford.

Young people continue to face familiar challenges such as peer relationships, bullying, substance misuse, and academic pressures. Yet, the world our children are entering is rapidly evolving. Both teachers and parents now find themselves guiding young people through issues we did not encounter growing up, such as the impact of technology and the constant influence of social media. This digital landscape brings new complexities, with a multitude of voices and influences readily accessible - often presenting perspectives that differ from those of school or home. For instance, topics like masculinity and consent are now widely discussed in public forums, making it more difficult for young people to form their own identities rather than conforming to others' expectations.

Throughout their journey at Halliford School, we are committed to supporting our students as they navigate these challenges, both in school and at home. Our aim is to prepare them for life after Halliford, instilling the values and resilience they need to thrive as confident young adults. While our pastoral curriculum lays the foundation for students to flourish, the involvement of parents is essential in reinforcing this work. Our Parent Talks Programme is here to empower parents with the knowledge and confidence to help their children successfully navigate the world around them.

We are therefore delighted to invite you to this year's Parent Talks Programme. All parent talks are free of charge and hosted as in-person events at Halliford School. They take place on Monday evenings from 6.30-7.30pm, with refreshments available from 6.00pm. Parking is available on site. All talks can be booked via the various Microsoft Forms booking links included in this document.





PSHE Curriculum and Parent Consultation

Date - 13 October 2025

We are pleased to invite parents into school for a consultation and information session about the PSHE curriculum at Halliford School, with a particular focus on the importance of Statutory Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) guidance. This session will provide insight into how we support students' personal development, well-being, and safety through our PSHE programme.

There will also be an opportunity for parents to consult about the curriculum. This will take the form of parent discussion groups in respective years. All parents will therefore have an opportunity to express their views about the RSE programme on offer. This is to give all parents an opportunity to be fully informed about the guidance we are giving students and to enable reasoned decisions to be made about participation in the RSE curriculum.

Please sign up using the following link, and a joining link will be sent to you ahead of the session.

[PSHE Curriculum Talk Booking Link](#)



Christopher Hawkins - Tenent Financial Education

Date - 1 December 2025

Chris studied Engineering at Cambridge before starting a 30-year career in finance. He worked in New York, Boston and London for a major international investment bank, a fund of hedge funds and an asset management firm.

Throughout that time, he was engaged in leading in-house and external seminars for colleagues and clients, helping them to understand some of the most complex concepts in the financial world. That affinity for explaining difficult subject matter in a comprehensible way led him to setting up Tenent and taking his experience to schools.

In this talk, Chris will talk to you about the different funding options for students, what is important to discuss with your children in relation to financial matters in preparation for their financially independent futures.

To book your place on Chris's talk, please complete the following form:

[Christopher Hawkins Talk Booking Link](#)



Iain Mahoney - Mental Health Awareness Talks

Date - 26 January 2026

Iain Mahoney has developed his talks for parents to cover a wide range of issues affecting young men, including mental health, relationships, online behaviour, status and physical appearance.

With the ever-growing influence of certain media figures, young men are facing a barrage of challenges as they grow into adulthood. This talk is a welcome addition to discussions arising from today's perceptions of masculinity and will provide you with a range of learning outcomes that help address modern masculinity issues.

To book your space on Iain's talk, please complete the following form:

[Iain Mahoney Talk Booking Link](#)



Fin O'Regan - ADHD and Neurodiversity

Date - 3 March 2026

Fin is one of the leading behaviour and learning specialists in the UK. He is currently an ADHD and Neurodiversity Consultant for number of schools and organisations, an associate lecturer for Leicester University, NASEN, The Helen Arkell Charity and the Institute of Education.

He is a current member of the Special Education Consortium, the SpLD Assessment Standards Committee, and The CDC London, a council member of CReSTeD and on the advisory board at the University of Michigan, USA.

Fintan is an internationally acclaimed presenter and has presented more than two thousand seminars throughout Europe, the Middle East, East Asia, Australia, New Zealand, and North America and authored eleven books on ADHD and Neurodivergence.

To book your space on Fin's talk, please complete the following form:

[Fin O'Regan Talk Booking Link](#)



Shaun Atwood - Life Lessons

Date - 9 March 2026

After graduating from Liverpool University with a business degree, Shaun moved to Phoenix, Arizona, to work in finance, quickly becoming a successful stockbroker and then a millionaire day-trader during the dot.com bubble.

Whilst working extremely hard by day, Shaun also played hard at night, submerging himself in a rave underworld. By the late 1990s, Shaun had become the head of an organisation involved in throwing parties and raves, until in 2002, a SWAT team smashed down the doors of one of his clubs, which led to him spending over two years on remand in the notorious Sheriff Joe Arpaio's Maricopa County jail. This was when Shaun began writing about the horrific, inhumane human rights violations, which attracted international media attention. Shaun, through his extensive reading into Psychology, wants to share his story, whereby you learn about the realities of drugs and prisons versus their glamorisation, the consequences of drugs and a high-risk lifestyle, the harsh realities of being a prisoner and the future implications of life choices.

To book your space on Shaun's talk, please complete the following form:

[Shaun Atwood Talk Booking Link](#)

Elevate Education

In addition to the Halliford Parent Talk Programme, we are pleased to recommend a series of highly regarded parent support Webinars from Elevate Education. These are free to parents, and over 3,000 parents attended the last session on motivation.

Website: [Parent Resources](#) | [Elevate Coaching UK](#)



Monday 10 November 2025 at 6:30pm
Elevate Parent Seminar
for parents of students in Year 11 and Upper Sixth

Monday 11 May 2026 at 6:30pm
Elevate Parent Seminar
for parents of students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 & Lower Sixth

Further details will be emailed to parents nearer the time.

Additional Parent Talks

Year 11 Options Evening

The Year 11 Options Evening talk is in person and scheduled for: Thursday 15 January 2026, the same evening as the Year 11 Parents' Evening. The talk will happen before the Parents' Evening, starting at 4:30pm to present subjects available for study at A Level. We are looking to have a guest speaker from a university to talk about how options choices could impact on university courses. Parents' Evening will then start at 5:10pm

Online Parents' Information Evening

There is an Online Parents' Information Evening on Student Finance for Upper Sixth scheduled for:
Monday 9 February 2026 at 6:30pm
Parents will learn how student finance works, and how to apply with details of deadlines.

UCAS Information Evening

The UCAS Information Evening is in person and scheduled for: Thursday 5 March 2026 at 6:30pm (refreshments from 6pm) and includes two external speakers – Phil Moss is an Education Consultant and Suzie Loader is the School Engagement Officer at Exeter University. This evening is designed to inform parents of the process involved and the timeline for applications. Phil talks about the types of university and courses available and the details of how to apply for courses. Suzie offers an insight into the university process and how they deal with admissions.



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