

Our ref: CS/ER/Options

Date: 3rd February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Year 9 Guided Options Evening

I would like to invite you and your child to Year 9 Guided Options Evening and Parental Evening which will be held on Thursday 27th February from 4:00pm-7:00pm.

In year 9, pupils are able to choose some of the subjects they will study at GCSE over the next two years. This is a very exciting time for them because they can begin to shape their future and fully immerse themselves in subjects they enjoy or have a particular interest in. Many of our children are beginning to consider their career paths, and what degrees or qualifications they will need to secure that career path.

To fully support you and your child with the Guided Options process there will be a presentation by the Deputy Headteacher at 4.15pm and another identical presentation at 5.15pm and 6.15pm, to accommodate those parents who may not be able to attend the first time slot. The presentation will include a great deal of information about the following:

- Pathways chosen to suit your child with the potential range of subjects your child can choose to study in addition to their compulsory ones.
- An opportunity to hear about the GCSE and BTEC options process, including a timeline for when final choices need to be submitted.
- How you can support your child to research subjects further in order to make informed choices.

Additionally, this evening will provide an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher in each subject, including their strengths, areas for development, and how they can continue to improve. Teachers will also be available to offer guidance on future pathways, including potential GCSE options, to help support your child's aspirations. We strongly encourage you to take this opportunity to engage in these important conversations and gain valuable insights into your child's learning journey.

We look forward to seeing you and thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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