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Year 9 Options

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to update you with some key information about the Year 9 options process. Beginning week of 24 February. This is an incredibly important time as the students make important choices about their studies at key stage 4. The process and timing for the options process will be as follows:

- Week commencing 24 February: Options assembly, this is an assembly that will explain the option's process to the students.
- Thursday 27 February Options evening: During the Options Evening you will all be able to meet subject teachers, ask questions about the course, look at content and how the course is examined as well as your child's suitability to study that course. The presentation will be schedule for an early and later time to fit in with family schedules. The presentation will be identical and so you only need to attend the one at a time that suits you best. You will be provided with an options booklet, and this will also be available on our website. Please see an outline for the evening below:

Time	Activity	Location
4.30	Register at front of school and make their way to room 15 options presentation.	Front entrance
4.40	First of two options presentations explaining the process and choices that need to be made.	Room 15
5.00	Parents and students can visit the different subject information areas in the main school hall and dining room. Subject staff will be on hand to answer any particular questions you may have.	School hall Dining room
5.45	Second of two options presentations explaining the process and choices that need to be made.	Room 15
6.05 – 7.00	Parents and students can continue to visit the different subject information areas in the main school hall and dining room.	School hall Dining room

- Monday 3 March to Friday 21 March: Subject talks in class. These talks will provide students with a clear understanding of the different courses available and the specific requirements and demands of the course.
- Thursday 27 March - Year 9 consultation evening: At the Parents' Evening you will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress to date and ask any final questions regarding option choices before making any final decisions.
- Monday 31 March: Options forms should be completed via MS Forms questionnaire and submitted by this date.

We are looking forward to seeing you on Thursday 27 February for our options evening. However, if you have any questions or queries before then, please see the contact details for myself and the Year 9 tutor team below.

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