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## Year 9 KS4 Options Process

Dear Parent/Carer

This term, all Year 9 students will be starting the process of choosing their KS4 option choices that they will then study in Years 10 and 11.

To support with this process, there are a number of events planned to provide information and guidance to both your child and yourselves, which are detailed below.

### Option Subject Taster Sessions

During the week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> February, we will be giving students the opportunity to find out more about the subjects that they are able to choose from via taster sessions during the school day, delivered by subject experts. Students will be given the opportunity to attend up to three taster sessions during that week and are asked to complete the sign-up form via the form provided by their tutors to aid planning.

The online options booklet gives more details about each KS4 subject and can be found here:

[www.bit.ly/tootoptions](http://www.bit.ly/tootoptions)

### Options Information Evening

We will be hosting an online information evening on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 6.00 pm. I apologise for the late notice, but rest assured that event will also be recorded and shared with you.

This will be an opportunity to hear general advice and information about options and our Key Stage 4 curriculum, as well as how to go about completing option choices via our online system. It is strongly recommended that all parents and carers attend so you are able to support your child through the options process.

The link for this MS Teams event is:

[Year 9 Options Information Evening Link](#)



## Year 9 Parents' Evenings

On **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** and **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March**, we will be holding our in-person parents' evenings for Year 9. If your child is in T or S band, your child's parents' evening is on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. If your child is in H band, your child's parents' evening is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Both evenings will run from 3.30 pm until 6.30 pm and are an opportunity to ask further questions surrounding the options process of both subject teachers and the senior leadership team. More information regarding how to make appointments for this via our online system will come out in due course.

The Options Form will be available to complete from **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March**, with a deadline for completion of **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March**.

We recognise the decisions that students are required to make can be difficult. We are here to answer any questions that you or your child has along the way. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's tutor, if you have any questions during this process.

Yours sincerely



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