19th December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 9 Options Information Evening

I would like to invite you to attend our Y9 Options Information Evening on **Wednesday 14th January 2026 at 5pm.** The purpose of the evening is to explain the decision-making process that all Year 9 students will take part in over the next few weeks, as they prepare for the next exciting stage of their education in Years 10 and 11. This is an important event and gives you the opportunity to learn about the curriculum choices available at Key Stage 4. You will also have the chance to meet subject staff to discuss any individual questions you may have.

Students have already been invited to take part in two rounds of student voice activities about their options. Before making their final choices at the end of January, they will also have the opportunity to take part in 'taster sessions' for each subject. The Options Information Evening will begin with a presentation outlining the Key Stage 4 curriculum. After this, you and your child will be able to meet staff from each subject area to find out more about the courses and ask questions. Please note that the presentation in the hall will start at 5pm and will be repeated at 6:30pm for parents/carers who are unable to attend earlier.

If you would like to clarify any part of the options process, please email either myself, or Mrs Johnson and Mr Keast as the Heads of Year 9. We will all be available throughout the evening and will be happy to answer individual questions.

We look forward to welcoming you on 14th January. Students will receive a hard copy of the Options Booklet and their final options form at this event, along with further guidance on how to complete the form. The deadline for returning the completed form is Friday 30th January. In the meantime, an online copy of the Options Booklet is available to view over the Christmas break at: https://willingdonschool.org.uk/learning/year9-options

Yours sincerely,

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