



12th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 9 Key Stage 4 Curriculum Information Event Thursday, 16th January 2025 5-7pm

I would like to invite you to attend our **Key Stage 4 Curriculum Information Event** on Thursday, 16th January at 5pm. The purpose is to explain the decision-making process which all Year 9 students will be engaged in over the next few weeks as they prepare for the next stage of their education in Year 10 and 11. This is an important event and provides you with the opportunity to have the curriculum choices for Key Stage 4 outlined to you and then for you to meet subject staff to discuss individual questions that you may have about some of the subject choices.

Just before Christmas, we will launch the options process with Year 9 in an assembly and will also issue them with their options booklet. Before they have to make their choices in February, they will also have the opportunity to explore 'taster sessions' of each subject. The Curriculum Information Evening will involve a presentation from myself, Mr Holt, Deputy Headteacher responsible for the Options Process, then you and your child will be able to meet staff from each of the subject areas to learn more about each subject and ask questions about the Key Stage 4 course they offer. Please note, the presentation in the hall will start at **5pm**, and it will be repeated at **6:30pm** for those parents/carers unable to make the earlier time.

Should you wish to clarify any aspect of the option process, please email either myself or Mr Cain Head of Year 9, both of us will be available during the evening and we are happy to answer individual queries.

The Options process 2024-2025:

- w/c 9th December – Options Booklet published
- January 2025 - Options assemblies
- Thursday 16th January Period 5 and Period 6 – Student taster sessions
- Thursday, 16th January 5pm-7pm – Parents/Carers Curriculum information evening
- Friday, 24th January – Dummy run of options completed on Google forms
- Friday 31st January – Final options forms completed on paper
- March 2025 – Parents/Carers informed of confirmed choices

Yours sincerely,

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