

January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

From September 2023 your child will be starting their GCSE courses. These courses will last two academic years and will provide grades that are essential qualifications for careers and further education.

This term your child will be making important choices about which subjects to continue with in Years 10 and 11. Such option choices are very important decisions. To familiarise you with the process and to help you support your child, we have provided you with:

- **Options 2023 Video Guide**

This video explains the option process and will give key tips when supporting your child in making their choices.



[Video explaining Options process](#)

Click or scan the code for the video.

- **Year 9 Options' Evening - Thursday 26th January.**

The evening will run from 6.00pm to 7.30pm and is intended for parents and pupils to visit subjects to get a greater understanding of what each subject involves.

- **2023-24 Year 10 Courses booklet**

This important document gives a full explanation of the curriculum and will indicate the exact choices available. The booklet will be given out at options evening. Any pupil who cannot attend will receive their booklet at school and after the evening a digital copy will be available on the school website.

I recommend that you watch the video guide before attending the Options evening as this will give you a significantly greater understanding of the whole process. Once you have watched the video, attended the evening and have your options booklet, you will need to complete the options form (in the booklet) by Wednesday 1st March.

If you have any queries, please contact myself at the school and I will be available at the Options Evening on Thursday 26th January for any questions.

We hope you can attend and look forward to helping you through this process.

Yours sincerely



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