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Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Year 9 Options Evening – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 5:30-6:30pm**

The time has come to consider which courses are most appropriate for your child as they move into Key Stage 4. This is an important time, and we wish to ensure that you and your child are as informed as possible.

I would like to invite you to attend our Year 9 Options Evening on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 5:30pm. During this evening I will be delivering an overview of the Year 9 Options Process and providing guidance on how to support your son/daughter in choosing the best subjects for them.

It is our intent to help all students make well judged, informed choices about the optional subjects they choose. To help students with this process, they will receive guidance from subject teachers and senior leaders. Year 9 PSHE on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March will be dedicated to the options process, and students will have presentations from subject leaders of those subjects that they have not experienced at Key Stage 3, such as Health & Social Care, Computing and Business Studies, to name a few.

During this session, an options booklet will be given to all Year 9 students. Students will be asked to take these home and go through them in detail with their parents/carers. These booklets provide essential information about each of the courses that your child can choose to study during Key Stage 4. All materials will also be made available on our website, including links to the presentation delivered at the options evening and electronic copies of the options booklets.

### **Year 9 Virtual Parents' Evening – Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

On Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March, you are invited to the annual Year 9 Parents' Evening. This evening will take place virtually and further details regarding logistics and appointments will follow in due course. At this event, as well as being able to discuss your child's progress with their subject teachers, there will be an opportunity for you to discuss the suitability of the courses your child would like to choose in order for them to make a well-informed choice.

We hope that you are able to join us at our options evening. If you have any queries please contact your child's Head of House in the first instance.

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Maxwell

Assistant Headteacher