



Friday 19 January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 9 Options Launch

I am pleased to confirm that the year 9 options process will be launching in February, and we would like to invite you to our Year 9 Options Launch Evening on Wednesday 21 February. The evening will take place onsite and will begin with a presentation that aims to provide you with an overview of the options process, including key dates and details about the option pathways. Following the presentation, students and parents/carers will have the opportunity to explore the different practical and performance-based subjects that are on offer at key stage 4. Ms Mortimer, our careers advisor, will also be available on the evening to answer any queries about careers, particularly regarding what subjects may be required for certain career paths.

In order to ensure there is not extensive waiting times to visit the different subject areas, there will be two different start times for the evening (5pm and 6pm) and the evening is by booking only. Please be reassured that students and parents/carers will have the same experience regardless of the time chosen. There is a maximum number of attendees for each time slot, so we would advise booking early to avoid disappointment. The booking link is below:

[Bookings Link](#)

Please note that only practical and performance subjects will be represented at this in-person options launch evening. To compliment this, all subjects will be available via a pre-recorded Year 9 Virtual Options Evening which will be available from Thursday 22 February and throughout the whole of the options process. To access the virtual options evening (from 22 February), students will need to login to Microsoft Teams. All year 9 students have access to the "Year 9" Microsoft Teams chat. There will be a post explaining how to access the presentations; access will be via a tab within the Team or via a link that is also provided on the post page.

We do hope that you will be able to attend the options launch evening. However, a copy of the presentation will be placed on our websites following the event for you to access should you need to, and the virtual options evening will also provide all the vital information that students and parents/carers need for the options process.

Yours sincerely,

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