



23rd April 2018

Dear Parent,

Information for Current Year 8 Parents about the Year 9 Curriculum 2018-19

For a number of years now we have been in the practice of allowing Year 9 students the opportunity to make choices from elements of the curriculum so that they can focus more readily on the subjects they are most interested in as preparation for their Key Stage 4 options.

The core curriculum that every student will experience is as follows: English, Maths, Science, Spanish, History, Geography, RE, PE and PSHCE.

In addition to this students will focus the remainder of their curriculum by choosing 2 further subjects from: Art & Design, Computer Science, Drama, Food Preparation and Nutrition, French and Music. Students will have a copy of the attached options form and need to rank their top three choices from the following list:

Subjects
Art & Design
Computer Science
Drama
Food Preparation and Nutrition
French
Music

Please note the following additional points:

- Students will not automatically be allocated their top two choices. Students will be counselled individually by Heads of House and members of the Senior Leadership Team to ensure the choices are the right ones for them
- In order to choose a subject in Years 10 and 11 students would have had to have studied these subjects in Year 9 so please help us to ensure your son/daughter does not drop a subject they may be interested in pursuing further in Year 10

An assembly has taken place today in which the options process was outlined.

Options forms are required to be handed in to tutors by **Friday 27th April**.

Yours sincerely,

Mr T Houghton,
Assistant Headteacher – Curriculum and Assessment

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Name : _____ Tutor Group : _____

Please rank order your top 3 choices from 1 to 3 with 1 being the highest

Please note all choices will be subject to counselling

In order to study a subject at GCSE you **MUST** have taken it as an option in Year 9.

Some practical subjects such as Food Preparation and Nutrition are limited to 20 students per class.

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