



January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 GCSE Options Evening – Thursday 9 February 2023

The GCSE Options Information Evening will take place on Thursday 9 February. This always marks a very significant point in students' educational journey, as they begin to refine and shape their curriculum choices ready for September 2023, and as such it is very important that students and parents/carers take the time carefully to peruse the information provided.

Options booklets will be sent home electronically in advance of the Options Evening, and we would recommend that you take some time to work through this with your child; Year 9 Full Reports will also be available via Insight in advance of the evening to help guide you as to your child's progress in subjects.

The Options Evening information will comprise:

- Course information booklet, detailing curriculum organisation, individual subject information, and an explanation of how your child should select and submit their option choices
- a main presentation at 6.45pm about the curriculum, and how to select your options
- individual subject presentations for options subjects; you will be able to select 5 presentations to attend

We are immensely proud of how our Year 9 students have continued with their learning this academic year. More than 16,000 merits have been awarded so far, and 151 of our students have received 2 or fewer consequence points. This is such a fantastic achievement and shows the hard work, resilience and excellent contributions to lessons that year 9 students consistently make. We are really looking forward to taking them away to Ypres later in the year as we know they will get a huge amount out of this trip. Teachers continue to sing the year's praises; we hope they look forward to making their option choices.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Year 9