



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to invite you to attend our **Year 9 Options Evening**, which will take place on **Thursday 29 January, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm**. This will take place in the performing hall.

The purpose of the evening is to provide you and your child with clear information and guidance to support the important decisions that will be made when selecting GCSE option subjects later in the year.

The evening will begin with a 15–20 minute presentation, outlining:

- The options process and key dates
- Core subjects, including English, Mathematics and Science
- How option choices link to future pathways and careers
- Advice on how to support your child in making informed decisions

Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity to move around the room and speak directly with subject teachers and subject leaders. This will allow you and your child to:

- Ask questions about individual subjects
- Learn more about courses your child may not have studied before
- Understand what each subject involves, including assessment methods and skills developed
- Collect subject information sheets to take away for further consideration

We strongly encourage students to attend alongside their parents or carers, as this will help them gain a clearer understanding of their options and feel confident when making their final choices before Easter. However, please be aware that this is not a parents' evening where you would receive detailed information on the progress of your child. That is taking place Thursday 12th March.

Please note that no options will be chosen on the evening itself. The event is designed to inform and support you ahead of the formal options selection process, which will take place later in the term.

If you are unable to attend, subject information will be made available afterwards. Should you have any questions before or after the event, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

We look forward to welcoming you and supporting you and your child through this important stage of their education.

Yours faithfully,
Mr Bromage
Director of Studies