



2nd June 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Re: Year 8 GCSE Options Process for the start of Year 9**

As we approach the final half term of the year I would like to update you on the Year 8 GCSE Option Process for the start of Year 9.

Our GCSE offer includes all pupils studying English, Mathematics, Triple Science and a Language plus options from the Humanities, Arts and more technical subjects. The schools is proud of our range of GCSE options which include subjects such as Ancient Greek, Mandarin and Astronomy. Our GCSE offer prepares ELSS pupils for the next stages of their education and beyond.

**Option Booklets**

All year 8 pupils have been issued an option booklet in assembly on Friday. This option booklet is also available to parents on the school website. Pupils must select one option in each of the option blocks. Option booklets should be returned to Mr Perkins on Friday 11th June.

**Options Q&A for Parents – Thursday 10th June 7pm**

Myself and Mr Perkins will offer an introduction to the options process and provide an opportunity to answer any questions you may have on Thursday 10th June at 7pm. This Q&A will take place online using Zoom. A link to the Q&A will be available on the school website.

Following on from these first steps in the options process pupils will have an opportunity to reconsider their options at the end of the Summer Term. If you have any further questions relating to the options process please contact either myself or Mr Perkins, Head of Year 8.

Yours sincerely

Mr Peter Phebey

Vice-Principal

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