



Dear Parents and carers,

Year 9 options

During year 7, 8 and 9, students at the Academy study a wide range of compulsory subjects that make up the national curriculum. When students enter Key stage 4 (years 10 and 11) students will start to be able to make a choice about the specialist subject they study. This leads to further personalisation of the curriculum as students enter their post 16 education.

Traditionally, we start the options process in January, but this year after some consideration we will begin this process just before Easter. This will begin with a combined Year 9 Progress Review and Options information evening on Wednesday 20th March. Having the two events at the same time will provide an excellent opportunity to talk with current class teachers about progress during year 9, and the suitability of potential study at Key stage 4 in the subject.

Following the easter holidays, students will have a 1 to 1 conversation with their form tutor and then the selection window will open shortly after this for the students to make their choice.

If you have any questions, please in the first instance discuss with your child's form tutor, who will be able to assist you.

Kind regards

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