

6th June 2019

Year 9 GCSE Options Evening - Tuesday 11th June 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

As your child comes towards the final part of their Key Stage 3 Curriculum they are now entering an important stage of their school career. They will soon be choosing their subjects for deeper study at GCSE and developing an important pathway to their future study at A' Level, university or a real alternative that will allow them to succeed in their dream job and thrive in all aspects of their life.

We know that, although this can be an exciting time, it can also be quite daunting for some and we will fully support you and your child in ensuring that they select the right choices for them at Key Stage 4.

All students will be given a hard copy of the GCSE Options Booklet which we would like you to look at with them over the next few days so that they can discuss their preferred choices with you. They will also be given an Options Choice form to make their initial choices. These documents will be available via the school website and students will be emailed an electronic copy.

In order to make the process as clear as possible, it has been explained to students in their afternoon meetings. However, if you or your child have any queries about the process or specific subjects, please do not hesitate to email the teachers named in the Options Booklet.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to the Options Evening on **Tuesday 11th June 2019, in the School Hall.** The purpose of this information evening is to explain how the Options process works and to introduce you to the courses we offer. This is an important evening for both students and parents as it provides the opportunity to discuss option choices with staff. There will be a brief presentation by Mr Clough at 6pm and an additional presentation at 6.30pm for those who cannot attend the earlier one. After the presentations parents and students will then be able to speak to subject specific staff.

Key Dates

- Friday 7th June 2019:
 - Pupils receive a hard copy of the GCSE Options booklet to take home.
 - Students are emailed an electronic copy of the GCSE options Booklet.
 - Option Book and Information go live on school website.
- Tuesday 11th June 2019: Options Evening Presentation at 6.00pm & repeated at 6.30pm.
- Friday 14th June 2019: **Deadline** for option forms to be returned.

We value your continued support in helping your child in making an informed decision and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 11th June 2019 at 6pm or 6.30pm.

Yours faithfully,



Mr C Jones
Deputy Headteacher.