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Dear Parents/Carers and Students

Year 9 Options Evening – Thursday 15th February 2024

It is our pleasure to invite you to the forthcoming Year 9 Options Evening. This will take place in the school hall on the evening of Thursday 15th February 2024. The event will run from 6.00pm – 8.00pm.

The evening serves as a "marketplace" for information, advice and guidance intended to support you and your child in making informed decisions about the subjects they choose to study beyond Year 9. We will commence with a short presentation about the reformed GCSEs and the accompanying grading system, Progress8 and Attainment8 (school performance measures), the English Baccalaureate (EBacc) as well as how to complete and submit the options form itself.

Following on from the presentation there will be breakout rooms where all option subjects offered next academic year are to be represented. The evening will provide an opportunity to further explore and gather information about the subjects on offer, the course content and how the qualification will be assessed. Colleagues will also be able to provide some indication to pupils about future career paths linked to different subjects and what accreditation you will gain at the end of the course. You will also be able to see examples of current students' work.

Year 9 students have already had a full week of options assemblies, where teaching colleagues have delivered short presentations about their option subjects. We hope these assemblies have acted as the catalyst for your child to begin reflecting on their future aims and ambitions, considering carefully which subjects will best equip them with the knowledge and skill they will require for their future success.

I look forward to welcoming you on the evening.

Yours sincerely

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