



5 January 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to invite you to the Year 9 Options evening on Thursday 19 January 2017 at 7pm.

As students look forward to joining Year 10 and beginning their examination courses, it is important that they choose the courses which are right for them. They must think very carefully about choosing which route would suit their style of learning and about the subjects which they will enjoy and enable them to progress to the next stage of their education or training beyond Year 11. Having a genuine interest and enthusiasm in a subject is always a sound basis from which to start their selection. The choices are for students and parents and carers to make decisions together.

During the evening we will go through the Key Stage 4 curriculum, the route ways available to your son or daughter, as well as providing clear guidance on how to choose the right courses for them. You will also receive an options booklet detailing all of the courses that are available and a letter with some personalised guidance and recommendations for your son or daughter which will enable all decisions to be fully informed.

On Wednesday 25 January 2017 we have our Year 9 Parents and Carers Evening where you will have the opportunity to speak to individual teachers about your son or daughter's current progress and also obtain further information about studying the subject at GCSE.

Please note that the Options Evening on Thursday 19 January is specifically for parents and carers only. Please do not bring your son or daughter to this evening as they will be receiving a similar presentation the following day during school hours.

I look forward to seeing you on the 19 January as we start the Year 9 Options process.

Yours sincerely

Chris Barnett
Acting Deputy Headteacher