

## Achieving Excellence

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Dear Parent/Carer

One of the most important aspects of Year 9 for our students is their selection of subjects ('Options') to study at Key Stage 4. The process will formally start on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February** 

To help successfully make these important decisions, we will provide an extensive programme of information, advice and guidance. Below is an outline of the Spring Term programme and, in particular, a very important Year 9 Information Evening:

Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	• Y9 students visited our on-site Careers Fair during P3. They had the opportunity to speak with a variety of employers.
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b> (Students)	• Year 9 Options Presentation during the EfL lesson.
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March (from 6.00pm) (Parents/carers)	<ul> <li>Options Evening for Year 9 parents/carers. The evening will provide:         <ul> <li>An overview of the Key Stage 4 Curriculum</li> <li>Guidance on completing the online options process.</li> <li>An opportunity to meet Subject Leaders and to ask questions about their subjects.</li> <li>Support from Mr Kinder (Year 9 Learning Leader) and Miss Martland (SENDCo) with any</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
19th to 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul> <li>questions that may arise.</li> <li>Students receive their Key Stage 4 Course Booklet, which provides information on the courses available and the choices to be made, which they will bring home to discuss with you.</li> <li>Options choices made</li> <li>In lessons, information and guidance will be provided by teachers.</li> <li>Students will have an opportunity to discuss their choices with Tutors.</li> </ul>
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	All choices need to have been made.
June/July	<ul> <li>All students will have an <b>Options Interview</b>.</li> <li>Key Stage 4 courses for September 2025 will be confirmed.</li> </ul>

Throughout this process, it is important to emphasise that help and advice will always be available from your child's Tutor, Mr Kinder or myself to ensure students are confident that they are making the right choices to support their future and Achieve Excellence.

Yours sincerely,

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