

CR/SLT/Options/sga

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Re: Year 9 Choices Programme (2021-2023)**

The 'Choices Programme' will be launched on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 with a remote full Year 9 assembly during period 1, this will be accessed by pupils through Google Classroom. Your child will have access to the 'Course Selection Handbook 2021–2023' from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January via Google Classroom, a copy will also be made available on the school website for parents to access. This booklet provides information on the option choices available and the core subjects to be taken in Year 10 from September 2021. It is very important that you read this booklet carefully and discuss the options available with your child.

Overleaf is a schedule of the Year 9 Choices Programme 2021–2023; please take time to familiarise yourself with the 'Year 9 Choices Programme', and the deadline for submission of the 'Choices Selection' form.

I would like to invite you to attend the **GCSE Options Information Evening on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 6.30pm**. This year the event will be held remotely via Microsoft Teams, link invites will follow via email. If you have recently changed or updated your email address, please contact Hollingworth so that we can amend your details. You can download the Microsoft Teams app from any app store.

During the GCSE Options Information Evening, a presentation explaining the Year 9 choices process will be delivered by a team of staff including myself, Mr Mannion, Ms Calveley and Mrs Eaton. After the presentation, members of the senior leadership team will be available to answer parental questions (in the Microsoft Teams chat function) relating to the Year 9 Choices Programme process. Parents will have the opportunity to ask teachers subject specific questions at the upcoming parents' evening.

We strongly feel that your attendance to this event will enable you to better support your child through the Choices Programme. We look forward to seeing you on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021**.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email if you would like to discuss any issues relating to the matters above.

Yours faithfully



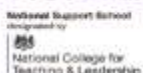
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# Year 9 Choices Programme 2021-2023

EVENT	DETAILS	DATE
Launch of Year 9 Choices Programme	Remote Year 9 assembly during Period 1.	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Remote GCSE Options Information Evening	Remote evening event to guide parents/carers through the Choice Event Programme.	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Course Selection Handbook 2021-2023	Course Selection Handbook 2021-2023 available via Google Classroom and the school website.	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Remote Departmental Talks	Each department will provide advice and guidance to pupils about their GCSE courses. Pupils will access this information via Google Classroom.	Week commencing Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Choices Selection 2021-2023 forms	Choices Selection 2021-2023 forms available via Google Classroom.	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Year 9 Parents' Evening	Further details surrounding the arrangement for Parent's Evening will be distributed to parents.	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Choices Selection 2021-2023 form returns	Choices Selection Forms to be returned to Mrs C Robbins via Google Classroom.	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2021
Individual Pupil Interviews	Individual pupil interviews will take place with Mrs Robbins and members of the Senior Leadership Team to determine suitability of subject combinations.	To be confirmed due to the current COVID-19 Pandemic.