

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Year 9 Option Evening – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018, 6pm, Dining Hall**

I would like to invite you to our Option Choice Evening on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 6pm in the Dining Hall. The format for the evening will be a short presentation regarding the curriculum and the choices available in Years 10 and 11, followed by the opportunity to meet subject staff and discuss option choices with subject teachers and members of the senior leadership team.

Making option choices in Year 9 is a very important process as your son/daughter will be choosing subjects which will have a significant impact on their future career. It is crucial that your son/daughter makes the right choices for the right reasons.

Your son/daughter will receive a detailed options booklet which contains subject specific information on the courses we offer in Key Stage 4, and I would recommend that you sit down and discuss the booklet with them in preparation for the completion of the options form. Both these documents will be available on the evening and will also be made available on the College website. Students will also be receiving information through an options assembly in preparation for the Option Evening itself.

After the Options Evening, all students will meet with members of the College Leadership Team to engage in focused discussions about potential career paths and their option choices. The way success is measured nationally has seen some changes in recent years and it is important that we discuss this with your son/daughter as it will potentially impact on opportunities available to them post 16 as some particular combinations of subjects are especially important to some groups of students. This will be discussed in these 1:1 meetings.

**Key Dates:**

**Options Evening - Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018**

**Options form deadline for submission – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**Interviews with members of the College Leadership Team – week beginning Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018.**

In the meantime, if you have any queries about the options process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

We look forward to welcoming you on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 6pm.

Yours faithfully,



Mr J Hartnett  
Senior Strategic Leader