

10 January 2025

Dear parent/carer,

Key Stage 4 Options and Curriculum Information Evening - Thursday 23rd January, 6pm-8pm

The Key Stage 4 Options Information Evening is an important event in assisting your child to make choices about the next stage of their education. There are exciting choices available and this event will allow us to share the rationale behind the Curriculum offer, explain the online options selection process and help students make informed decisions.

The evening will be made up of talks (outlined below) and the opportunity to speak with members of staff about the range of courses and the curriculum in their subject area.

The structure of the evening will be as follows:

Time	
6.00-6.45pm	Presentation of the Options process Location: Hall Tutor Groups: 9MSM, 9GCH, 9ANE, 9CBL, 9DS
6.00-6.45pm	Visit Departmental displays Location: Canteen and signed venues Tutor Groups: 9SM, 9TBL, 9KRO, 9ID, 9PK
7.00-7.45pm	Presentation of the Options process Location: Hall Tutor Groups: 9SM, 9TBL, 9KRO, 9ID, 9PK
7.00-7.45pm	Visit Departmental displays Location: Canteen and signed venues Tutor Groups: 9MSM, 9GCH, 9ANE, 9CBL, 9DS
8.00pm	Evening ends

All option subject areas will be represented and there will be stalls with examples of work, textbooks and other relevant materials. There will be the opportunity to ask subject specialist teachers about the curriculum in all subjects at Key Stage 4. It should be emphasised that this is an "information" evening. There is a parent/carer Consultation Evening on **Thursday 30th January** when subject staff can give details of student's progress in individual subjects.

Information about completion of the on-line Options Choices Form will be given on this evening and further guidance will be sent out in advance of the completion deadline of **Friday 14th February**.

We will be communicating the student's pathways to you in the coming weeks. Students will be placed on one of three pathways (Blue, Yellow and Green). The pathway will determine how the students select their options. Please see the following video from Mr Urwin, Head of Science, answering frequently asked questions:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y3PUIWGHJY&list=PLm6uw02SPCpSIQvILkWM66-bZFx5rag5_&index=2



In brief (along with the core subjects):

- Blue pathway students study geography or history, language and two other options
- Yellow pathway students study geography or history and three other options (they can continue with their language)
- Green pathway students study **ASDAN and Forest School** and two other options

I look forward to seeing you on **Thursday 23rd January**.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mr S Adams".

Mr S Adams
Deputy Headteacher