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Dear Parent/Carer

YEAR 9 OPTIONS PARENT/CARER INFORMATION EVENING: MONDAY 16 JANUARY 2023

As you are aware, we are fast approaching the time when Year 9 students will need to be thinking and deciding upon their selections for GCSE options.

To try and prepare students for these new options, we will be holding a Year 9 Options Parent/Carer Information Evening on **Monday 16 January 2023 from 6.00 pm – 7.30 pm**. We are inviting parents/carers **only** to attend due to the space in the Main Hall.

The outline of the evening will be an introduction from Mr Watson (Deputy Headteacher) from 6.00 pm – 6.30 pm along with presentations from Mr Phillips (Head of Year 9), Mrs Debbage (Head of Science) and Mrs Street (Head of Vocational Subjects). They will explain the general Year 9 Options process, explain the difference between Single Science and Combined Science, and talk about the different Vocational subjects available to your child.

There will also be a carousel of presentations from staff for those subjects students have not studied before, including:

Enterprise; Health and Social Care; Creative Media; Economics; Travel and Tourism; GCSE PE; Vocational Sport; GCSE Citizenship.

Below is a list of Year 9 Options dates you should be aware of, in order to help support students and parents/carers:

- **December 2022:** Year 9 Options Booklet distributed to parents/carers.
- **Monday 16 January 2023:** Year 9 Options Information Evening for parents/carers only. Students will receive the same presentation in the morning.
- **Monday 23 January 2023:** Online Year 9 Teacher Feedback Event (further discussions available with your child's Class Teachers)
- **Friday 3 February 2023:** Deadline for Year 9 Option choices online form to be submitted – a link will be sent out in the New Year.
- **July 2023:** Options confirmed to student.

We do hope that you will be able to join the Information Evening to enable you to support your child with their Year 9 options selection.

Yours sincerely

MR R WATSON
Deputy Headteacher

MR A PHILLIPS
Head of Year 9

