

18 December 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Year 9 Options Process

I hope this letter finds you and your family well.

We have been really impressed with all our Year 9 students this term; they have worked really hard on their end of Key Stage 3 assessments and we will share their results with you next term.

We are writing to you to launch the start of our **Year 9 options process**. This will begin the week commencing **Monday 12 January 2026** with students receiving a range of assemblies and lessons across two weeks. This will give them a taste of what the subjects are like, to help guide them through the decision process.

Monday 12 January is our options evening. The evening will run between 5.30pm and 7.00pm. There will be two talks held during the evening at **5.45pm and 6.15pm**.

Our Curriculum Leaders will have stalls to answer questions/give advice that you and your child/ren can visit. There will also be stalls for SEND and ASPIRE (previously EBACC).

Thursday 22 January 2026 is our **Year 9 Parents/Carers' Evening** and this event will take place in school from 3.45pm to 6.45pm. You will be able to book appointments to speak to your child's teachers across the evening and classrooms will be open showcasing the different subjects on offer. A follow up letter will be sent, explaining how to book these appointments.

I look forward to seeing you on **Monday 12 January 2026**.

Yours sincerely

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