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Dear Parent/Carer

One of the most important aspects of Year 9 for our students is their selection of subjects ('Options') to study at Key Stage 4. The process will formally start on **Monday 11th March**.

To help make these important decisions, we will provide an extensive programme of information, advice and guidance. Below is an outline of the Spring Term programme and, in particular, a very important Year 9 Information Evening:

Monday 11th March (Students)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 9 Options Presentation during the EfL lesson. • Students receive their Key Stage 4 Course Booklet, which provides information on the courses available and the choices to be made, which they will bring home to discuss with you.
Tuesday 12th March (from 6.00pm) (Parents/carers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Options Evening for Year 9 parents/carers. The evening will provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An overview of the Key Stage 4 Curriculum ○ Guidance on completing the online options process. ○ An opportunity to meet Subject Leaders and to ask questions about their subjects. ○ Support from Mrs Towers (Year 9 Learning Leader) and Miss Martland (SENDCo) with any questions that may arise.
13th to 26th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In lessons, information and guidance will be provided by teachers. • Students will have an opportunity to discuss their choices with Tutors.
Wednesday 27th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The online Options process closes at 09:00. • All choices need to have been made.
June/July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All students will have an Options Interview. • Key Stage 4 courses for September 2024 will be confirmed.

Throughout this process, it is important to emphasise that help, and advice will always be available from your child's Tutor, Mrs Towers or myself to ensure students are confident that they are making the right choices to support their future and Achieve Excellence.

Yours sincerely,



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