



November 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

**RE: YEAR 8 OPTIONS PROCESS**

In line with both a local and national trend, this year our Year 8 students will be making their option choices ready to start their GCSE and BTEC subjects in Year 9. Now that all courses have been updated this means that they will have a full three years to develop the knowledge, skills and understanding to achieve in the new GCSE courses.

Before the Options Evening we will be talking to Year 8 students in Assemblies to ensure they have all information possible and each student will have an individual interview with a senior member of staff to discuss their possible choices. Parents are welcome to attend these interviews if they wish.

**Key Dates**

**Year 8 & 9 Options Week – 27<sup>th</sup> November – 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2017**

Information on Option subjects in assemblies.

**Year 8 Parents' Evening – 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2017 – 4.00 – 7.00pm**

Parents and students will be able to seek information and advice from subject teachers.

**Year 8 Options Evening – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2018 – 6.00 – 8.00pm**

This is an opportunity to find out about the choices available and how the options procedure works. The vast majority of Year 8 students should be thinking about including both a Humanities and Languages option.

**Year 8 Individual student interviews – date to be confirmed**

Students and parents will be informed of the date and time of their interview in advance.

Yours faithfully

Mr C Connor  
Vice Principal



Principal: Tracy Dohel