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27th February 2023

Year 9 GCSE & Options Evening – Thursday 9th March 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

We look forward to seeing you on **Thursday 9th March** for Year 9 GCSE & Options Evening. You will soon be making some extremely important decisions with your child regarding the GCSE courses they wish to study in years 10 and 11. This is an exciting time in your child's school career as it represents their first opportunity to have some real say in the direction of their own education. As with all important decisions it can also be quite a daunting one. As such, we are inviting parents and pupils to attend an information evening. This will outline the curriculum for all GCSE pupils, how the options process works and what will happen next.

The **GCSE & options presentation will begin at 6.15 pm**. Please arrive and register in reception from 6:00pm, ready for a prompt start at 6.15pm.

We ask that, where possible, one parent attends per pupil to support us with managing the number of people in the hall.

As I'm sure you will appreciate, your attendance to this important information evening is essential. We will only be issuing the Options Booklet, which contains lots of information about each subject and the options process, and the Options Request Form, on the night. You will need to complete this form with your child who must then return it to school by Friday 17th March. Pupils will shortly be attending dedicated Options assemblies to help prepare them for making their choices.

Please sign below to acknowledge receipt of this letter. Tutors will be expecting every one of their Year 9 pupils to return the reply slip **by Friday 3rd March**. We do expect every pupil and a parent/carer to be at this very important information evening. **Pupils must wear full school uniform**. We very much look forward to seeing you on Thursday 9th March.

Yours faithfully,

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Deputy Principal

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*Please return this slip to tutors **by Friday 3rd March***

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Child's Name:

Tutor Group:

I confirm that we have received the letter and that one of my child's parents/carers will be attending the information evening on **Thursday 9th March 2022**

Signed Parent /Carer: _____

Print Name: _____