

Year 11 Options and Careers Evening

Dear Parent / Carer,

This academic year your child will be choosing their Key Stage 5 Options. This is a very important decision for pupils to make and to guide them further we are inviting yourself and your child to an Options and Careers Fair at the school on Thursday 26th January. The event will run from 4pm to 6pm in various venues within the School. Over the course of this evening, you will have the opportunity to:

- Receive a Year 12 Options Booklet, with information on the various courses which we could offer at this level;
- Attend a presentation from Mr Chris Brooks (Raising Standards Lead Key Stage 5) who will offer some guidance on choosing the right options at KS5. This presentation will be repeated at 4.30m and 5.30pm in the Main School Hall;
- Visit stands with further information on each of the subject areas and discuss in more detail what is covered by the course and how it is assessed;
- Speak to a Careers Advisor if you wish to consider how subject choices may lead to specific jobs in the future.

During the Year 11 Options and Careers evening we will be also offering advice and guidance to our students about the next steps they may take in their academic career. There will also be a range of external providers from employers and universities.

To support you and your child further in making the right decisions about their Option choices, your child will be given the Option Choices . We would strongly recommend you using this to plan your evening and the possible subjects your child will eventually choose.

Following this event, students will be asked to give an idea of what their choices will probably be. We try as much as possible to ensure that we are responding to what our students tell us as a year group but will also have to ensure that we adopt a best fit approach.