

Friday 12th February

Dear Parent / Carer

Re: Year 9 Options 2020-2021

I'm writing to make you aware of the start of the Year 9 Options process, where your son/daughter will choose the subjects that they wish to study at Key Stage Four. This is a crucial time for Year 9 as they begin to focus on fewer subjects with their future plans firmly in mind, whilst also having the opportunity to choose subjects that are only available for study at Key Stage Four.

Year 9 have now been made aware of a few key dates which I would also like to share with you:

- 23rd February – Options Assembly – The process will be explained to the students during their usual assembly time.
- 24th February (Evening) – Video goes live on the school website explaining the process to Parents and Guardians.
- 25th February – Year 9 Parents Evening
- 3rd March - Virtual Options Evening

You will have received your child's most recent academic report earlier this term, and you will have an opportunity to discuss this with teachers at Parents' Evening on Thursday 25th February. Options Evening will be an opportunity for you to meet with a member of the Leadership Team virtually to discuss and finalise their choices. During the week of the 22nd February you will receive an option form and options booklet, as well as a guide to how to book your appointment.

It is important that your son/daughter receives the support that they need both at home and at the Academy so that they are well-informed to make appropriate choices. Students will be working closely with staff, and will be supported throughout by the Year 9 pastoral team. I'd be grateful if you could also support your son/daughter by discussing with them their future career plans, and choosing appropriate subjects for them to reach their goal.

Thank you in advance for your support of this process, and please do not hesitate in contacting me by e-mailing Iain.Hunter@langleyacademy.org should you have any queries.

Kind regards,

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