



Wednesday 31st January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Y8 Options Evening - Thursday 14th March 2024- 6pm – 8pm – A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

I am pleased to invite you and your daughter to attend Year 8 Options Evening on Thursday 14th March 2024, starting at 6pm and ending at 8pm. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn about the subject options available to your daughter as they progress in their school journey into GCSEs starting in Year 9 this September.

The evening will consist of a presentation Main School Hall, together with the chance to explore the school and talk with all teachers about the subjects that your daughter may be interested in studying GCSE. We will also be providing you with more information about our excellent Duke of Edinburgh award and the opportunities that are available to your daughter. Not only will Subject Head of Departments be available to answer any questions about the subjects, but we will also have pupils from Year 9 and 10 in school to help show some the subjects in action; they will also be able to answer any questions about their chosen subjects, together with sharing their experiences of GCSE so far. I am sure that you will be excited by the range of options and opportunities available.

To accommodate all parents/carers and pupils into the hall comfortably, we will be holding two talks on the evening. Parents whose daughters are in Tutor Groups **8A, 8C and 8J are invited to attend the first presentation in the Main School Hall from 6pm;** after which you will have the rest of the evening to visit individual subjects. **If your daughter is in 8L, 8P and 8S, we would like you to also arrive at 6pm, but to visit individual subjects first, and then attend the presentation in the Main School Hall from 7pm.** The event will finish at 8pm, which will allow ample time for all parents and pupils to visit subjects and ask any questions. We would appreciate your co-operation in following this schedule so that the evening runs smoothly. All parents/carers are encouraged to attend, and there is no need to book.

As we get nearer to Options Evening, there will be a new webpage available that will have all the information about each subject on offer, together with guidance on how your daughter completes their options choices form. I will write again in the weeks nearer to the event and will provide you with a layout of all subject classrooms so that you can organise your time on the evening accordingly.

Due to the size of the event, we are unable to offer parking on site, however if you have mobility issues and require a reserved parking space, please contact the school reception in advance and they will organise this. Instead, please enter on foot via the main entrance on Coolinge Lane and make your way towards the main reception.

We look forward to welcoming you to this event and hope that you have an enjoyable and informative evening.

Yours sincerely

Mr Matthew Allingham
Assistant Principal