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Parent Letter No 60 (*Year 9 students*)

Dear Parent/Carer/Student

Year 9 Curriculum Evening: Thursday 21 March 2024 from 1700hrs to 1930hrs

The Curriculum Offer Evening, will be held in school, on Thursday 21 March 2024.

Students attending must wear full school uniform and stay with their parents throughout the evening

We will send you an Options booklet and information on how to complete option choices in the near future. Prior to this, all Year 9 students will have received information through an Assembly about their future education aspirations and potential subjects for study in Years 10 and 11.

There will be three presentations in the Lecture Theatre during the evening, which we will aim to start promptly at 1730^{hrs}, 1800^{hrs} and 1830^{hrs}. Please use the link below to select which presentation you would like to attend.

https://forms.office.com/e/ZR5dBxcsE9

The aim is to provide information about the study pathways available, both Academic and Vocational, and choices that need to be made. We will provide a guide on how to complete the online options form. The presentation will talk you through the process and provide information on how to get help if you have a problem or query. We want to provide you with everything you need, to support your son/daughter through choosing specific subjects and the right curriculum pathway for them.

Subject staff will be available throughout the evening to talk to you about the variety of option subjects we have on offer at Key Stage 4, which includes GCSE and BTEC courses. While one group is in the Lecture Theatre presentation, staff based in the Hall and Gym will be available to talk through their subject and what it offers to parents not in the talk.

For parents of students with additional needs, Mrs Weston, our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, will be in attendance to provide support. Our independent careers advisor, Jackie Flint, will also attend. Both will be based in the Library.

We will also send out log in details for the 'Start' Careers Website. Both parents and students can access this to help with their choices.



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After the event, we hope that you will help your son/daughter to complete their online Options form with their final choice of courses. The link to the Options Form will be in the guide to completing the process we will send you and make available on the night. We would ask that forms are completed by Friday 26 April 2024.

Please note that due to the complexities of staffing and timetabling, students will receive confirmation of their choices at the start of the next academic year and where subjects are oversubscribed places will be allocated fairly.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of Thursday 21 March for this important stage in your child's education.

Yours sincerely

Mr S McCosh Deputy Headteacher

