

## Year 9 Option Choices Evening Thursday 19 January – how to plan your evening

To get the most from this event it is best to plan which subject talks you want to attend in advance of the evening. Read through the Curriculum Guide that was issued on Wednesday 11 January to start the process of deciding which subject talks you want to attend. You are strongly advised to attend one of the 'Options Explained' talks to ensure you have more information about the options process and about the Curriculum that will be followed in KS4.

The 'Options Explained' talk will last 30 minutes and will take place in the school hall at 6.15pm and will be repeated at 7pm. To help us manage numbers in the school hall and around the school, we ask that students and parents from certain tutor groups attend at the following times where possible:

6.15pm – 9CDY, 9JNB, 9OHT, 9JSB, 9LEN and 9RLR

7pm – 9LLG, 9PCG, 9NJR, 9EEC, 9GMD and 9KMB/EAJ

If you are attending the 'Options Explained' talk at 7pm, remember that you can attend subject talks at 6.15pm and 6.35pm before making your way to the school hall.

Subject talks will take place in the locations shown in the table on the back of this sheet. The subject talks will consist of a 10-minute presentation, 5 minutes for questions and then 5 minutes for movement to the next subject session. If the room is full when you arrive to a talk, please attend a different talk, and return later. Do not worry about walking into a talk a bit late if you have to change your plan. The power points for the talks will be available on the school website a few days after the event and you can contact staff using the contact email address as shown in the curriculum booklet.

Advice about planning your evening:

- Read the Curriculum Booklet and make a list of the subjects you might want to choose.
- If there is a subject that you definitely want to do, you might not need to attend that talk, remember students can talk to any of the teachers at break and lunchtimes.
- Definitely attend a talk for any subject you might want to choose but have never studied before.
- Do not plan this evening around what talks your friends are attending. These are YOUR option choices, and you need to see the subjects YOU are interested in.

Plan your subject talks using the grid below. Attending the 'Options Explained' talk in the Performance Centre will still allow you to attend 5 subject talks.

Session time	Subject	Room
6.15pm		
6.35pm		
6.55pm		
7.15pm		
7.35pm		
7.55pm		
8.15pm		

**Note that parking is extremely limited on the school site.**

The subject talks are taking place in the Maths and Languages block (the two-storey building next to the Performance Centre) and in the English Quad (on the other side of the Performance Centre). To allow for easy flow of people in the Maths and Languages block, please only enter the building via the front entrance and exit the building via the side exit which is located next to Ma1 and La1. Rooms Ma1 to Ma11 are downstairs. Rooms La1 to LA12 are upstairs. Unless otherwise stated, sessions take place at: 6.15pm, 6.35pm, 6.55pm, 7.15pm, 7.35pm, 7.55pm and 8.15pm. A bell will ring to indicate when it is time to move to the next session. We have factored in 5 minutes for movement to your next talk.

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Room</b>	<b>Session Times</b>
'Options Explained' talk	School Hall	6.15pm and 7.00pm
Art, Craft & Design (GCSE)	Ma1	6.15pm, 6.55pm, 7.35pm, 8.15pm
Business Studies (GCSE)	Ma10 and MA11	All sessions
Computer Science (GCSE)	Ma3	All sessions
Construction (Tech Award)	En6	All sessions
Design and Technology (GCSE)	En7	All sessions
Drama (GCSE)	Ma7	All sessions
Film Studies (GCSE)	Ma5	6.35pm, 6.55pm, 7.15pm, 7.35pm, 7.55pm
Food Preparation and Nutrition (GCSE)	En5	6.15pm, 6.55pm, 7.35pm, 8.15pm
French (GCSE)	La1	All sessions
Geography (GCSE)	En3 and En4	All sessions
German (GCSE)	La3	All sessions
Health & Social Care (Tech Award)	La7	6.15pm, 6.35pm, 6.55pm, 7.15pm, 7.35pm, 7.55pm
History (GCSE)	En1 and En2	All sessions
Hospitality & Catering (Tech Award)	En5	6.35pm, 7.15pm, 7.55pm
Music (GCSE)	Ma9	6.15pm, 6.35pm, 6.55pm, 7.15pm, 7.35pm
Photography (GCSE)	Ma1	6.35pm, 7.15pm, 7.55pm
Physical Education (GCSE)	La11 and La12	All sessions
Religious Studies (GCSE)	La5	All sessions
Separate Sciences (GCSE)	La8	6.15pm, 6.35pm, 6.55pm, 7.15pm, 7.35pm
Travel & Tourism (Tech Award)	La2	All sessions