



Kirkby High School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Year 9 Options Choices

Your child is fast approaching the most important part in their educational career to date. The selection of option choices will ultimately have an impact on qualification success, further educational opportunities and their future career path. Therefore this year, we are incorporating the Year 9 Parents' Evening with the Option Evening on **Thursday 31st January 2019**. The evening will run from **4.00pm to 6.30pm** for you to meet the members of staff who teach them.

By attending this event, you will ensure that you and your child will have all the guidance available, necessary information and the opportunity to discuss your child's education with staff and the senior leaders of the school. This will guide you towards making the right decision when selecting option choices.

During the evening, a senior member of staff will deliver a presentation at 4.30pm and 5.30pm in the lecture theatre, to explain the options process in detail for this year's cohort. Although the students will have had this explained to them already, we strongly advise that your child accompany you on the evening to enable them to talk to the members of staff of the subjects that they wish to choose for GCSE. A copy of the Options Booklet will be given to you on the evening.

All Year 9 students will have an options interview between Monday 3rd February and Friday 22nd February 2019 with a senior leader to help them choose their options. Parents are invited to attend this meeting should they wish. Should you wish to attend, there will be an opportunity to make your appointment at the event on the 31st January. If you are happy for your son/daughter to make their own option choices, there is no expectation that parents attend.

With regard to careers, students will be able to speak to Mr Foulkes, Head of Careers Information Advice and Guidance at break times on Monday, Tuesday and Friday or any day after school, to enable students to gain information about the qualifications needed for their chosen career. Option choices will be also discussed in form time and assembly, with form tutors on hand to offer advice. At the event, staff from our local further educational establishments will be in attendance for you to speak with.

I do hope you will be able to attend the above evening at this important point in your child's educational career. We would like you to indicate which presentation you wish to attend, so that we can accommodate numbers. Please complete the reply slip below and return to the form tutor by Monday 28th January 2019.

Yours faithfully,

Miss S Gill
Attitude for Learning Manager (Head of Year) - Year 9



Name of Pupil: _____ Form Class: _____

I wish to attend the following **Options Presentation on Thursday 31st January**:
(Please circle): **4.30pm** **5.30pm**



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