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Dear Year 9 Students and Parents,

OPTION CHOICES

Our Year 9 students have just begun their new GCSE subjects and initial feedback from teachers is very positive. They will find that their new working routines and strategies will become established over the next few weeks and they will become more settled with their GCSE and vocational courses.

Students will have carefully selected their option subjects and we hope that these are still their preferred choices. There will be a few, we appreciate, that will be questioning their choices and perhaps considering whether other courses may be more suitable for them. This is a natural part of the settling-in process.

Any student who is unsure of a current option choice should check in with their subject teacher. The teacher will be able to put their mind at ease or clarify any course details.

Continuing on over the forthcoming few weeks, through to October Half Term, if it seems that an option change is needed there is a routine to follow. This routine includes some checks and reviews so that we can make sure that the request for change is suitable and practically possible.

It is worth remembering that, as was explained carefully during the initial options process, there are some requirements and limits with course choices and these will need to be followed during the 'Option Change Request' process.

If your child (with your approval) is considering making a request to change an option subject they should see Mrs Hale in the Registry Office (opposite the Assembly Hall entrance in the Gallery) and ask for an Option Change Request form. The various stages of this process are described on the form and either Mrs Hale or I can offer further advice and guidance.

Yours sincerely,

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