

Principal: Mr Paul Willerton

Dear Parent

26 January 2021

Thank you for your continued support with our remote learning. Year 9 students continue to produce excellent work for their teachers and are participating well in live lessons.

Last academic year your child chose the first two subjects as part of their Key Stage 4 options. During this term, your child will be making their final Key Stage 4 option choices.

The Option choices are designed in a way that enables students to complete Year 11 with a strong combination of qualifications which will ensure they can progress onto the next stage of their education or employment.

Option 1: students will choose between:

- GCSE Geography
- GCSE History

To support your child with this choice the Humanities departments have ran sample GCSE Geography and History lessons and also produced a narrated powerpoint for students to watch. This has been posted on Show My Homework and on the academy website.

During this week in Ready to Learn students will undertake a straw poll to give an indication of whether they would prefer to continue with Geography or History. This is to provide planning information at this stage and is not the students' final choice. When we ask for final choices we will include parents in the decision making and offer support and guidance where necessary.

Your child will also continue with GCSE Spanish throughout Year 10 and Year 11 which will allow them to complete the E-Bacc suite of qualifications which is highly thought of by Russell Group Universities.

If you have any queries about the process or any aspects of Year 9 please do not hesitate to contact the Year 9 team.

Yours faithfully

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