

## **Fulford School**

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Dear Parent/Carer

## YEAR 9 INFORMATION EVENING - KEY STAGE 4 OPTION CHOICES

I am writing to invite you to a Key Stage 4 Information Evening on **Monday 18 January 2021 at 6.00pm via Zoom.** The purpose of this meeting is to brief parents on Key Stage 4 courses and on the Year 9 options programme. The information evening will last for approximately 45 minutes.

The Key Stage 4 subject choices booklet is available on the school website at:

## https://fulford.york.sch.uk/ks4-options-2021-22/

There is a lot more detail contained within this booklet, so please try to make time to look through and discuss this with your son/daughter in advance of the Information Evening on the 18 January.

To provide additional guidance to students, during the week commencing 18 January, teachers of Year 9 will use some of their lesson time to discuss their subject with students and may include some taster activities in the lesson. Where this is not possible curriculum areas will produce short videos linked to their GCSE courses for students to access. When available these will be saved on the above section of the school website.

Please note that we will use a 'free choice' options form in order to create timetable blocks which allow the greatest possible number of students to choose their first choice combination of subjects. We do try very hard to accommodate everyone's first choices. However, we can only run a course if there is sufficient demand from students, if there are places available and if we have the resources to support the group. If there is a problem with one of your son/daughter's choices we will discuss other options with you.

Following the Key Stage 4 Information Evening, Year 9 parents' evenings take place on **Wednesday 3 February** (H half) and **Monday 8 February** (E half). These will offer you a chance to discuss your son/daughter's progress with subject teachers. The parents' evening details will be sent to you shortly.

## **Proposed Key Dates**

Friday 22nd January Mid-year report sent home

Wednesday 3rd February Parents' evening (H half)

Monday 8th February Parents' evening (E half)

Wednesday 10th February
By Wednesday 24th February
Monday 1st March
Monday 8th March

Free choice options forms home
Free choice options forms returned
Final options forms home – blocked
Final options form returned

Yours faithfully

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Mr A Rosie

Deputy Headteacher (Curriculum and Achievement)

