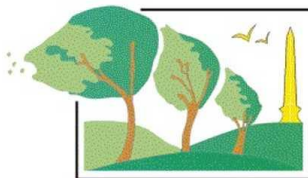


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19th January 2021

Year 9 Futures (Options) Evening 3rd February

Dear Parents

It is my pleasure to invite you and your child to a **Year 9 Futures (Options) Evening on Wednesday 3rd February 2021**. Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions the evening will be held virtually and all of the information will be available on our website on the evening.

We will be asking students to make their choices as to which subjects they should select for GCSE by Monday 1st March, so this evening will give an invaluable insight into which subjects might be the most appropriate for your child. This evening will form part of our Year 9 Futures Programme, including tutor activities, information for parents, a workbook for students and a 1:1 Futures interviews for all children. This will ensure that our students are well prepared for their Key Stage 4 courses. I have included a copy of the Futures programme below which outlines all of the activities and events that students will be involved in over the next few weeks. The programme also provides information to support your child and help them to access the materials. All resources for the programme will be available through ClassCharts as per our learning at home programme.

Year 9 students are at a critical stage where they need to choose appropriate GCSE courses or Vocational courses for Year 10 and 11. It is very important and we would very much like you to attend this event. This year, as well as a presentation on the process, there will be a video clip from every subject explaining the course and what students will study throughout Years 10 & 11. The Futures webpage will also provide links to the Sixth Form Colleges and other Careers information to help you and your child in their subject choices. Following the evening, Heads of Faculty can be emailed in the format initialsurname@courtfields.net and will be able to answer any of your subject specific questions.

We appreciate that choosing options is an important, but sometimes complex matter and wish to assure you that we will provide as much information as possible. Therefore, myself and other senior staff will be available to address any general queries that you may have and you can contact the school using the Futures email futures@courtfields.net

The Futures (Options) Course Selection Handbook and Student Workbook are available to download now from our website <https://www.courtfields.net/category/year-9/> and we will be sending you a copy of both in the post before the Futures (Options) Evening.

To support you and your child, this term, all students will have the opportunity to attend an interview with a member of the Leadership Team, the Head of Year or their Tutor via a phone call or a Microsoft Teams Meeting if you would like. This will be a chance for students and parents to talk about their child's skills, preferences and ideas about their future. Interviews will be scheduled between Monday 8th and Friday 26th February 2021 and we will contact shortly to arrange this meeting.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding the process, using the futures@courtfields.net email address.

Yours sincerely

M P Dudley

Mr Martyn Dudley
Deputy Headteacher



Year 9 Futures (Options) Programme 2021

Date	Event	Resources
Monday 18th January	Futures Programme Launch	Letter to Parents & Student Workbook available on School Website and ClassCharts
Wednesday 20th January	Y9 Task 1 – Where could I be?	Student Workbook Page 2
Friday 22nd January	Y9 Task 2 – How do I get there?	Student Workbook Page 3
25th- 29th January	Y9 Futures Week – career focus in subject lessons. How subjects can support career aspirations.	Y9 Lessons as normal via ClassCharts & Google Meet
Monday 25th January	Live Tutor Session – check in / plan for the week	ClassCharts & Google Meet
Tuesday 26th January	Y9 Futures Assembly – Mrs Hutchinson	ClassCharts Announcement Presentation Video
Wednesday 27th January	Y9 Futures (Options Process) Assembly – Mr Dudley	ClassCharts Announcement Presentation Video
Thursday 28th January	Live Tutor Session – Where am I now?	ClassCharts & Google Meet Y9 Progress Report Student Workbook
Wednesday 3rd February	Y9 Virtual Futures (Options) Evening	School Website Course Selection Handbook
8th – 26th February	Y9 Futures (Options) Interviews	Appointment parent letter
Monday 1st March	Y9 Futures (Options) Deadline	Online Options Form – Link via ClassChart Announcement to parents after the Futures Evening