

26 January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Year 9 Options

We are writing to you regarding the process for your child choosing their GCSE options. Year 9 Options Evening is scheduled to take place on **Thursday 25th February**. Your child will be expected to submit their options shortly after by **Wednesday, 3rd March**.

To help your child choose their options, we will be holding a Year 9 Careers Week. Careers Week will take place online and it is designed to give your child the opportunity to understand where their choices will lead them in the future. We will also give them the opportunity to speak with staff from different colleges who can answer questions about courses after GCSEs.

Options Evening will also be taking place online and it is a chance for you to see a presentation by Mr Ahmed (Deputy Headteacher) and Ms Shirani (Assistant Headteacher, Key Stage 3). The presentation will outline the subjects available and how you can support your child in making an informed choice.

Once your child has made their choices, there will be an online form for you and your child to complete and select your preferred subjects.

Key dates:

- **Week beginning 25th January 2021:** Subject presentations - your child will receive information from a range of subjects about the GCSE courses during their tutor time.
- **Week beginning 8th February 2021:** Careers week
- **25th February 2021 from 3.30 to 4pm:** Options evening will take place virtually. Year 9 students and their parents are invited to attend the evening online and receive information regarding option choices and pathways.
- **3rd March:** Options form to be completed and submitted.

If you wish to find out more you can view our website which will contain links to information about the different subjects along with the options form that students will be required to complete.

Your child's subject teachers will also be able to offer advice throughout the term. Please email info@eastlea.newham.sch.uk and put 'Options Process' in the subject line if you have any further specific enquiries.

We look forward to seeing you at the virtual Year 9 Options Evening.

Yours sincerely,
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