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Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Y8 Options Evening - THIS WEEK - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026- 6pm – 8pm**

I am pleased to invite you and your daughter to attend Year 8 Options Evening on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026, starting at 6pm and ending at 8pm. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn about the subject options available to your daughter as they progress in their school journey into GCSEs starting in Year 9 this September.

The evening will consist of a presentation in the Main School Hall, together with the chance to explore the school and talk with all teachers about the subjects that your daughter may be interested in studying. We will also be providing you with more information about our excellent Duke of Edinburgh award and the opportunities that are available to your daughter. Not only will Subject Head of Departments be available to answer any questions about the subjects, but we will also have pupils from Years 9, 10 and 11 in school to help discuss their experiences and to show some of the subjects in action.

To accommodate all parents/carers and pupils into the hall comfortably, we will be holding two talks on the evening. Parents whose daughters are in Tutor Groups **8A, 8C and 8J are invited to attend the first presentation in the Main School Hall at 6pm;** after which you will have the rest of the evening to visit individual subjects. **If your daughter is in 8L, 8P and 8S, we would like you to also arrive at 6pm, but to visit individual subjects first, and then attend the presentation in the Main School Hall at 7pm.** The event will finish at 8pm, which will allow ample time for all parents and pupils to visit subjects and ask any questions. We would appreciate your co-operation in following this schedule so that the evening runs smoothly. All parents/carers are encouraged to attend, and there is no need to book.

An addition, I would like to direct you to our Year 8 Options website (found under the Parents and Students heading of the website, titled Year 8 Options 2026.) You will find information about choosing subjects, together with subject information pages and a link to the Options podcasts on FSG-Radio.

Please see attached the layout map for the evening, with details as to where all the subjects will be based. You will be able to meet the Directors of Learning and current pupils who are excited to discuss the subjects.

Due to the size of the event, we are unable to offer parking on site, however if you have mobility issues and require a reserved parking space, please contact the school reception in advance and they will organise this. Instead, please enter on foot via the main entrance on Coolinge Lane and make your way towards the main reception.

We look forward to welcoming you to this event and hope that you have an enjoyable and informative evening.

Yours sincerely

Mr Matthew Allingham  
Assistant Principal