



Year 9 Options Launch

November 2023

Dear parent/carer,

A series of presentations and resources will be available on the school website from the 20th November onwards which will run through the options and guidance process in place for our year 9 students. The presentations will run through the timeline of support to assist students with their decisions on which courses to follow in year 10 and beyond. The options process will be launched in school with students during their assembly on the 20th November, with follow up during their wellbeing lesson on the 27th November. I would encourage you to view the information, resources, and presentations in the following location on the school website:

<https://www.whitchurchhs.wales/Curriculum/Y10and11SubjectInformation/>

The timeline of support with key dates is summarised below:

YEAR 9 OPTION PROCESS 2023-2024

- COMPLETION OF ILPP: September 2023 to June 2024
- YEAR 9 OPTIONS LAUNCH: Week beginning 20th November 2023
- UPDATED OPTION SUBJECT INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE: December 2023
- KEY STAGE 4 SUBJECT OPTION TALKS IN LESSONS AND ASSEMBLY: December 2023 onwards
- KEY STAGE 4 OPTIONS OPEN EVENING: 25th January 2024
- FREE CHOICE SURVEY: 29th January – 9th February 2024 – the decisions made by pupils at this stage are used to help formulate the Key Stage 4 option grid.
- OPTION GRID AVAILABLE: 26th February 2024
- INDIVIDUAL PUPIL INTERVIEWS: 27th, 28th and 29th February 2024
- OPTION FORMS SUBMITTED: 11th March 2024

We are looking forward to working with you and our students to support them with the key decisions that lie ahead. If you have any questions or we can support in any way, please contact us on 02920629700

Your Sincerely,

Mrs C Robson – Assistant Headteacher 11-14
Mr D O'Rourke – Year 9 Progress Leader
Mr N Potter – Year 9 Assistant Progress Leader
Mr D Duncan – Year 7-9 Pastoral Assistant