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Dear Parents,

## Year 9 Parents Evening and GCSE Options Process

In a normal year we would be writing to you around this time to explain our processes for your son / daughter to select their GCSE options. This would usually include a Subject Consultation Evening giving Parents opportunity to discuss with the subject teachers their progress in the subjects and suitability for study at GCSE as well as an Options evening which would give you an overview of our Key Stage 4 curriculum and which options are available to your son/daughter.

It is important that we proceed with this process as choices drive the curriculum changes for the next academic year. In order to overcome the barriers of not being physically in school we have put the following schedule in place:

- Year 9 Online Assembly led by Mr Day on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January
- Option Choices Website Launch including the Options Booklet Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January
- Year 9 Subject Consultation Evening – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 4.00pm – 7.0pm
- Year 9 Online Assembly to confirm 2021-23 GCSE Option Blocks Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January
- Students to submit choices by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February

### Online Assembly

In our Online Assemblies Year 9 students will receive initial guidance about our options process and will be given the opportunity to express an initial preference for the subjects they wish to study for GCSE.

### Options Booklet and Website

The options booklet provides much of the key information about different course choices and will be available on the school website. Please could you take the time to read through this information and discuss with your son/daughter before the second online assembly on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January.

### Subject Consultation Evening

This evening will be hosted via SchoolCloud: <https://burscoughpriory.schoolcloud.co.uk> and you will shortly receive a personalised letter with an individual code and instructions.





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## Second Online Assembly

This assembly will answer any questions that students have submitted in advance to school via google classroom and will confirm the option blocks following initial choices. Following the second assembly students will then be asked to confirm their preferred option choices through a google form. This will enable us to clarify which subjects are definitely running and make final decisions about option blocks and iron out any remaining issues.

All option choices will be fully scrutinised and follow up meetings may be arranged with individual students via Google Meet to discuss.

When all this is done you will receive a letter to confirm your son/daughter's final choices.

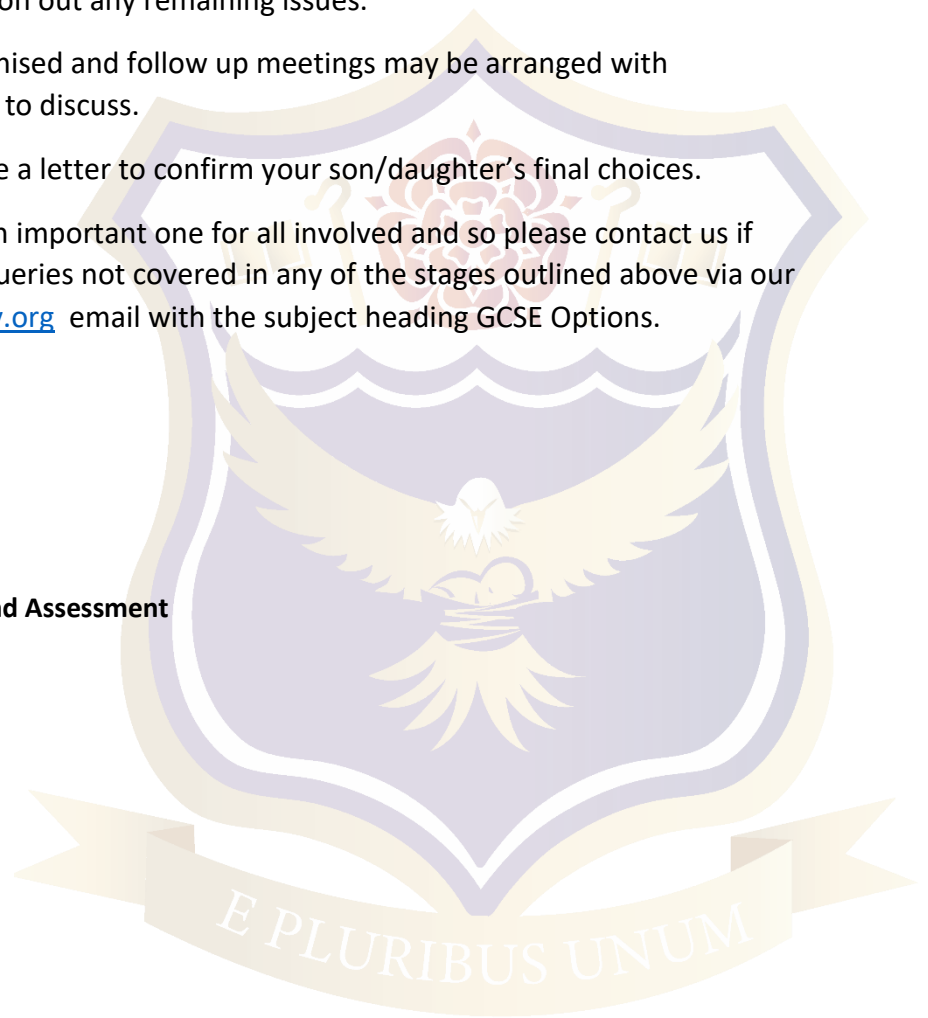
We are fully aware that process is an important one for all involved and so please contact us if you have any further questions or queries not covered in any of the stages outlined above via our [enquires@burscoughprioryacademy.org](mailto:enquires@burscoughprioryacademy.org) email with the subject heading GCSE Options.

Yours faithfully,

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Mr Day

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