3 February 2023

Dear parents/carers/guardians

Year 9 - GCSE Options & Parent Evening

We look forward to meeting you virtually on **Thursday 9 February** for the year 9 parent evening. The mid-year 9 reports (Y9TP2) will be made available through the school SIMS parent app ahead of the evening, we encourage you to review these with your child before your appointments. Please follow the link: https://poole.schoolcloud.co.uk/ to book your appointments if you have not already done so.

Year 9 students will receive their GCSE options assembly on **Wednesday 23 February** which marks the launch of the September 2023 GCSE options process. The full timeline for our GCSE options process is outlined below.

Date	Activity
Wednesday 8 February	Y9TP2 report available on our SIMS app
Thursday 9 February (16:00-19:00)	Year 9 Parent Evening (**Virtual** event)
Week of 13 – 17 February	Half term week
Wednesday 22 February	Year 9 GCSE Options Assembly
Monday 23 February	GCSE Option booklets distributed via tutors
Monday 27 February	GCSE Option forms distributed via tutors
Tuesday 28 February (16:30 – 19:00)	GCSE Options Evening (**Face-to-face** event)
Friday 3 March	Option form **return deadline** to form tutors or the Y9 office
June 2023	Confirmation of options and courses running
September 2023	Year 10 / Key Stage 4 commences

On **Tuesday 28 February** we looking forward to welcoming you **in person** to school to visit our GCSE subject fair. This will take place in the **M&M and Merchant's Hall from 16:30 – 19:00**. We have been required to move this date due to the original date falling on a day of national industrial action.

At the GCSE options event you will have the opportunity to speak to our GCSE subject specialists in conjunction with your child to find out more about the subjects and programmes we offer. Mrs Bannister (Year 9/10 Progress Leader) and Mr Lean (Assistant Headteacher) will be available to answer any questions you may have about the process.

Yours sincerely

Mr K Lean
Assistant Headteacher

Headteacher: Mr P Gray
Wimborne Road, Poole, Dorset, BH15 2BW
Tel: 01202 666988 E-mail: school@poolehigh.poole.sch.uk
www.poolehigh.co.uk