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Dear Parents and Carers,

The start of this term brings the start of our Options Choices process for our Year 9 students ever closer. As a result, I wanted to share with you some important dates and the timeline for students making their choices.

You will see from the dates below that there will be lots of support for students to receive information about the subjects they can choose, what they will learn about and where these subjects will lead to, as well as opportunities for students to engage with colleges, employers and universities to help them start to consider their future education and careers.

Throughout the process, students will have support from their form tutor, Mr Garcka, Mr Wheeldon and Mrs Bowker as the Year 9 Progress Team, and Mr Holden and Mr Downing, who will be the Senior Leaders overseeing options this year.

Key dates:

- 24th January: Bolton College assembly
- 25th January: Careers Fair (including colleges, employers and universities for students during the school day)
- 31st January: Bury College assembly
- 28th February: Options Choices launch assembly
- 28th February: Options Choices booklet shared with parents and carers
- 6th March: Holy Cross assembly
- 14th March: Parents' and Carers' Evening (virtual)
- Week commencing 18th March: Subject-based assemblies (one faculty per day, sharing a wide range of information about the subjects on offer)
- 21st March: Options Evening (in-person)
- 21st March: Options Choices completion form released to parents and carers
- 17th April: Deadline for Options Choices completion form to be submitted
- Week commencing 6th May (provisionally): option choices confirmed with students and parents and carers.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact any of the colleagues detailed above.

Yours faithfully,

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