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Dear Parent or Carer,

RE: Year 9 Options

I am delighted to inform you that we are now in a position to confirm your child's GCSE option subjects that they will be studying from September 2025. These will be shared with students via their tutor group during the next few days.

We endeavour to accommodate all students' option choice combinations and the vast majority of students get their four preferred choices. In some cases, students have been allocated their reserve choice along with three of their preferred choices. Where a reserve choice has been allocated, in the vast majority of cases this is due to two subjects from their preferred choices running in the same options block and therefore the lessons will be running at the same time. In the very small number of cases where students have not been given their reserve choice, I have met with them individually to discuss this.

Students will study these subjects through Years 10 and 11 and they will sit their final GCSE examinations during the summer term in 2027.

Now that students have had their options confirmed, we appreciate that they will still be in subjects that they won't be studying next year. It is important that students continue to engage in all subjects for the rest of this academic year so that they complete their full Key Stage 3 curriculum.

I hope that your child is looking forward to beginning Year 10 and that the next two years will be exciting, challenging and successful. We look forward to continuing to work with you in supporting your child to thrive in their GCSEs.

If you have any questions or queries about this please contact the school.

Yours faithfully,

Mr M Holmes

Deputy Headteacher

