



30th December 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

**Y9 Options Evening - Tuesday 14th January 2025, 5 - 6.30pm**

As you may be aware, within Year 9 all students have the opportunity to select the subjects or 'options', which they would like to study in Key Stage 4. At Stokesley School we offer a wide range of qualifications including GCSEs and Applied General Qualifications.

Over the coming weeks your child will have the opportunity to explore the subjects available to them within LIFE lessons, through use of the Stokesley School options website, as well as discussions with their teachers and form tutor.

All students will be required to select 4 subjects, and one reserve choice. Choices will be completed using an online form, which will be discussed with your child by their form tutor. Below is the link to the options website, with further details on the options process and individual subject areas:

<https://sites.google.com/stk.areteltd.co.uk/stokesleyschoolyear9options/home>

At Stokesley School we encourage as many students as possible to select subjects, which would enable them to achieve the English Baccalaureate (EBacc). Studying the full range of EBacc subjects, which includes English, Maths, Science, a language and either Geography or History, aims to give students the widest opportunities later in life. There is more information available about the EBacc on the options website.

The Year 9 Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 9th January 2025, and staff would welcome any questions you have about your child studying their subject in Key Stage 4 during your appointment.

Additionally, in order to further support your child in making decisions about their option choices, on **Tuesday 14th January 2025** we are hosting our Options Evening. This will take place between 5 - 6.30pm. The evening will commence with a brief talk from key members of the Senior Leadership Team in the Main Hall, then staff from all subject areas will be available for informal conversations about the courses available in Year 10 and Year 11.

Further detail of the curriculum content of the subjects offered at Key Stage 4 is available to view on our school website in the curriculum menu

[www.stokesleyschool.org/curriculum/year-10-curriculum/](http://www.stokesleyschool.org/curriculum/year-10-curriculum/)

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

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