



15th January 2021

Dear Year 8 Parent/Carer,

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We hope that this letter finds you keeping healthy and safe, and if you have been affected by Covid we send you our sincerest and warmest wishes that you get well, very soon. May we also take this opportunity to thank you for your support at this time and all your efforts at assisting your children, who are engaging with the home learning programme.

During this term, we would normally start the Year 8 Options process and you would be invited to attend an Options Evening event; where you would have met staff and discussed GCSE Options in a range of subjects. We are in the process of restructuring our curriculum delivery, based on the fact that Year 8 students have not had face-to-face teaching in many of the subjects we would be asking them to choose for their options.

We feel that in the best interests of the students, and with little knowledge of how the year will develop, that this year we will not be asking you and your child to choose option subjects. They will instead, continue on with all the subjects they have studied this year, and opt, this time next year, for their options. We also believe that students would be unable to make informed decisions, which may in turn, hinder their future choices and career opportunities.

Therefore, we will begin the Option process during next year's academic year (2021-2022). This should enable students to 'fill the gaps' in their learning prior to embarking on GCSE courses, allowing them to make successful and informed choices to progress to their next stage of education, training or employment.

We appreciate your continued co-operation with your child's home learning timetable and would reiterate how important it is that they log on to the live lessons and complete the remote learning tasks.

If you have any further questions, please contact Ms Moore (Y8 Student Support Manager) at school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr K Sexton
Headteacher

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Assistant Headteacher

