

Our Ref: ACH/GOX/Y9Options

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Dear Parent / Carer

### Year 9 Options Process

It is now time for your child to take the next step in their school career. Choosing the right GCSE and Vocational subjects for Key Stage 4 is one of the most important decisions a young person will make. The subjects chosen will affect the college and sixth form courses that can be studied, the apprenticeship route or even the University that a pupil chooses. The decisions taken in the options process will last for life.

It is important that your child has support from both home and school.

<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>	Assembly for all Y9 students on the options process. Options information will be available on the school website.  Visit <a href="https://www.firvale.com">https://www.firvale.com</a> Select <b>Our School</b> , then <b>Curriculum</b> .
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023</b>	Opportunity for students to discuss option subjects with their form tutor.
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>	<b>Year 9 Options Evening – <u>Parents to attend</u> (3.30pm – 5pm)</b>  This includes a presentation from the Headteacher and an opportunity to speak to teachers about what each subject involves.
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>	Opportunity for students to discuss options with our careers advisor, Miss Haimeed.
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>	Student and teacher 1-1 meetings regarding final choices.
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Final deadline - all options sheets handed in to the Year 9 Team.

How can I support my child?

They will have an information booklet to help them make their choices. **Talk to them about their future.** Share with them your hopes about what future careers they might like to do.

Many thanks for your attendance to the event, we look forward to seeing you on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 3.30pm.**

Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Hussain (Head of Year 9) or myself if you have any further questions

Yours faithfully,



Miss Charlton  
**Deputy Headteacher**

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