

22 January 2024

Dear Families

Year 9 Options Information Evening – Thursday 8 February 2024 – 5.30pm 7.30pm

As you will be aware your child is about to commence selecting their GCSE subjects. At Esher C of E High School, we are committed to ensuring that all students are following the right academic pathway to allow for them to have access to the best opportunities in the future. Students on this pathway have the opportunity to select the subjects to complete the English Baccalaureate, however it is not compulsory for them.

Under the **Open Pathway** the students will study:

- English Literature and English Language*
- Maths*
- Science (Double Award) or Separate Sciences if invited in the summer term by the Science Team*
- Core PE, RE and PSHCE
- French/Spanish/Geography/History
- Three additional subject choices

*Pathways will not impact on which set of Science students are in

The Year 9 Options Information Evening will take place in the Sports Hall and have two specific parts. The first part is a 'marketplace' style information area. This is where subjects will have a stall to be able to showcase their subject and answer any questions you may have and a talk outlining the whole process.

5.30 to 6.30 – Marketplace is open.
6.30 to 6.50 – Address from Mr King, Ms Turner, and Mr Burton
6.50 to 7.30 – Marketplace is open.

Further to the Options Information Evening all details will be available virtually through the link on the school website home page (click on the banner). After the event you will receive an invitation to use the Sims Options Online platform. This will be where your child's option choices will be selected. Students will be able to log in using the Microsoft O365 option at the log in screen and using their school email address and password.

Following the evening if you have any further questions, we ask that you contact your child's tutor or the subject lead and if needed questions will be redirected as necessary. Unless the query is specifically about the pathway, they have been placed on then do contact me directly on <u>jturner@esherhigh.surrey.sch.uk</u>

Yours faithfully

Ms J Turner Assistant Headteacher



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