

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am pleased to be writing to you to with important information on our Year 9 options process. This is a very important stage of your child's educational journey and I have the very privileged role of coordinating the support and guidance that students will receive as they make the transition from Key Stage 3 into Key Stage 4, and begin their GCSE courses.

Please see linked below an electronic booklet detailing all the GCSE courses offered:

[https://issuu.com/cowesec/docs/year\\_9\\_options\\_2025?fr=sZmJkNDY1MTQzMzM](https://issuu.com/cowesec/docs/year_9_options_2025?fr=sZmJkNDY1MTQzMzM)

We encourage you to discuss the available options and combinations with your children and contact [info@cowesec.org](mailto:info@cowesec.org) to ask any subject specific questions, which can be passed to the most relevant person.

This week we launched the options process with the students. Below are some important dates, detailing the timescale for the options process:

<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025</b>	Year 9 Virtual Parents' Evening
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025</b>	Link to the options form will be made available to parents
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025</b>	Optional drop-in session for parents and students to discuss any questions face-to-face with a member of the Senior Leadership Team and Directors of Learning, from 5 - 6pm
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025</b>	Hand-in date – deadline for options choices to be submitted online
<b>May 2025</b>	Confirmation – following final checks on student numbers, students will have their choices confirmed for year 10

Kind regards,



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Head of Key Stage 4