



18 January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Options Information Evening

I have pleasure in inviting you to the Year 9 Options Information Evening which is being held in person on Tuesday 6 February.

At the evening you and your child will have the opportunity to receive advice and guidance on making option choices as well as being able to talk to subject specialists in all the subjects offered at Vale of York Academy. There will be two main presentations, one at 5.30pm which will then be repeated at 6.15pm. There will also be a display of subjects in the dining area from 5.30pm where there will be a chance to speak to the subject leaders. It is important that you attend one of the presentations and also have a look around the subject stalls.

Entrance to the school will be via the courtyard gates.

Please note the key dates below, in particular the Parent's Consultation Evening on Tuesday 20 February 2024. This event will be online and booking arrangements will be sent by email in due course.

In order to plan effectively, please [complete the short Google form here](#) as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully



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Options 2024 - Timeline

January	The process starts via reference to the option process in assemblies and lessons. Students can seek support and guidance from their form tutor and or subject teachers.
Tuesday 23 January	Year 9 options taster morning. All students will get an insight to Ebaac subjects and some of the courses not studied in KS3.
Late January/start of February	Year 9 students will sit their spring term Endpoint Assessment in every subject.
Tuesday 6 February	Options Information Evening. All parents and carers of year 9 students are invited to attend this event where families will receive their option booklet and all the necessary information about the options process.
Tuesday 20 February	Year 9 Parents Consultation Evening - Online. An opportunity to discuss your child's progress.
Wednesday 21 February – Wednesday 28 February	Submission window for options choices. Families will receive their personalised options letter via email. This will be sent after the Parents Consultation Evening. Families have one week to complete and submit.
Wednesday 28 February	Final deadline for the completion of the Google Form with your child's option choices.
Before Easter	Year 9 report goes home
Easter to June	Processing and resolving of matters arising from students' choices.
Late June	All students are informed of their option choices by letter.