

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

### **Year 9 Guided Choices 2024/25**

I would like to inform you that our Year 9 Guided Choices process has now begun.

The aim of this process is to support you and your child through decisions you will have to make when selecting which GCSE subjects they will study next year. Your child will study GCSEs in English, mathematics and science, and will also have lessons in Religion and Worldviews and Core PE, which are not assessed.

All students are placed on a bespoke guided choices pathway, which aims to help them when choosing their remaining subjects from a range of qualifications we offer. Your child will be fully informed about each of the different courses, and they will be led through the process to ensure that they make decisions that align with their future aspirations. To enable your child to make fully informed decisions, we have a full schedule of taster sessions, assemblies, course information, presentations and a parents' evening over the coming weeks.

Your child will receive a bespoke pack on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, this pack will contain their pathway form and our guided choices booklet. The booklet contains information about the whole process, and an outline of each subject being offered.

Year 9 Parents evening is on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. This will be held in school and will give you the opportunity to talk to your child's subject teachers to get more information on their choices. Further communication regarding parents' evening and the appointment system will be shared at the beginning of next week.

We are holding an optional guided choices consultation evening on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December where you can make an appointment with a senior teacher to discuss any questions regarding the process. This is also available to students who would like support completing their choices form, or students who feel they would benefit from additional advice and information. A sign-up form for this event will be available during the Year 9 Parents evening and via email after parents evening

If you have any questions about the guided choices process, please do not hesitate to contact us using our dedicated email address: [guidedchoices@thecvhs.co.uk](mailto:guidedchoices@thecvhs.co.uk)

Yours Sincerely

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