

Year 9

Information Evening



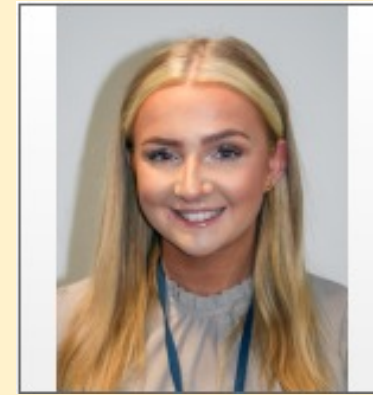
Year 9 Pastoral Team



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Information Evening

- Student Experience and Advice
- Collaborative Working
- Careers Advice
- Introduction to Options



The Next two Years.....

- A strong finish to KS3 to be the solid foundation required for KS4
- Continuing the journey to independence
- High expectations
- Routines and habits– homework, uniform, lanyards and equipment
- Co-curricular opportunities
- Enjoy the positives as a family – celebrate success however big or small



Student



Success

Teachers/Pastoral Care

Parents/Carers



Two Students Year 10

- 1 how they went about making choices/the importance of researching subjects and asking questions. Eliza Salmon
- 2 what year 10 looks like/organisation/opportunities around subject/ staying on top of workload. Tristan King



How do I decide on the subjects to study at GCSE

- Consider what you want to be doing when you are 16 or 18
- 'A' Levels or vocational studies
- University, college, apprenticeships or the world of work
- Research the individual subjects
- Watch the videos – how is the subject taught and delivered.
- Discuss your thoughts openly
- How will your choices support long term goals?



Important Guidance

- Friends
- Teachers

- **Choose subjects you are good at and that you enjoy**
- **We want students to be happy in their studies**



“The bad news is.... from now on time flies. The good news is....
you are the pilot”



INTRODUCTION TO OPTIONS



For further information go to:

<https://www.guiseleyschool.org.uk/curriculum/year-9-options>

- Here you will find information on subjects, core and option. Under each subject heading you will find links to the exam specification for that subject, the subject roadmap and useful links and information for that subject.
- Information about Unifrog and how it can be of use to you and your child



Career support Year 9 students have had to date

- All students as part of their PHSE lessons have had an introduction to 'working life'
- In lessons subject teachers have signposted students to exam content and themes for their subject(s)
- In lessons, links of possible careers or pathways studying their subject may lead to is shared with students
- Fortnightly Career lessons that inform students on opportunities that are available to them



Career & Option support over the next few months

- Yr9 reports will be circulated before parents evening
- Beginning of next week in school and over the next couple of weeks, each student will have a 1 to 1 interview with either a member of the Pastoral, Leadership or SEND team
- In assembly time subject leaders will deliver in person a subject presentation to the year group. All option subjects will be covered. This information will be re-messaged during form time with form tutors.



WHAT WILL THEY STUDY?

- All Students take a common core
 - English Language
 - English Literature
 - Maths
 - Science Double/ Triple
 - PSHE (not examined)
 - Core PE (not examined)



HOW MANY OPTIONS DO THEY DO?

- Students will pick 4 Options.



Option Block A	Option Block B	Option Block C	Option Block D
History	History	History	History
Geography	Geography	Geography	Geography
German	German	German	German
Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish
Computer Science	Computer Science	Computer Science	Computer Science
	OCR National Creative Imedia		OCR National Creative Imedia
	OCR National Enterprise & Marketing		OCR National Enterprise & Marketing
	Digital Photography	Digital Photography	
	Art		Art
	Religious Studies	Religious Studies	
	GCSE PE		GCSE PE
		Drama	Drama
		Music	Music
	Product Design	Product Design	
	Hospitality and Catering		Hospitality and Catering
		Textiles Design	Textiles Design

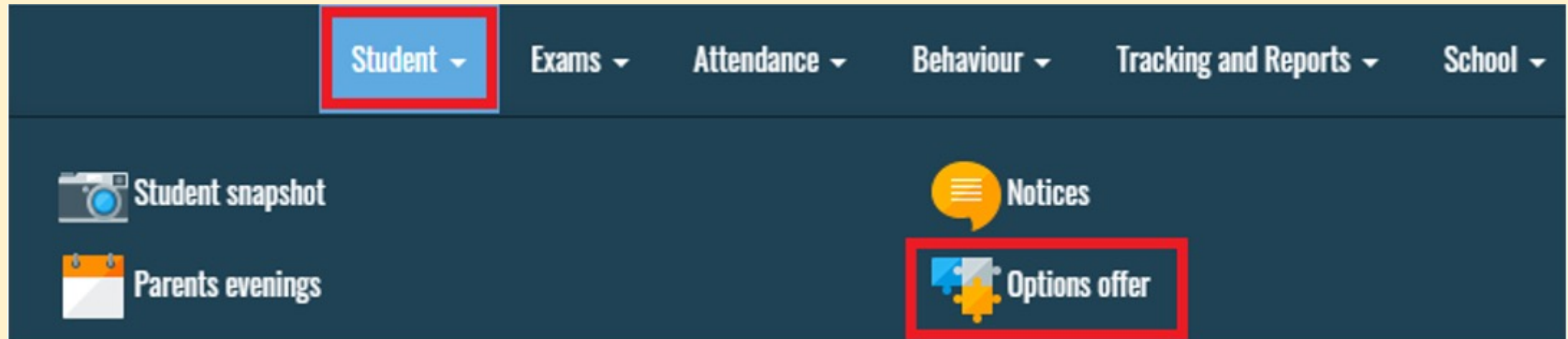
HOW DO I SUBMIT THE CHOICES?

This is done via Insight on the school website.

We will send a full instruction sheet



HOW DO I SUBMIT THE CHOICES?



Guidance

Choose 1 option and 1 reserve in each block. All pupils study English x2, Maths, Science, Core PE and PSICHE.

Guidance on how to complete options is shown here

Choices summary

List

Main

Option choices will appear here as they are made.

The subjects you have selected in each block are shown here

Parental approval

None Approve

Once choices are made, approve them here

Block A

Block B

Block C

Work through each of the options blocks by clicking through each tab

Available options

Course

Geography
Geography (GCSNF)



German
German (GCSNF)



History
History (GCSNF)



Make a choice by clicking the button

Current choices

Reserve

Main Option

Used 0 of 1 (plus 1 reserve)

QUESTIONS AND MYTHS

- Have I got to submit straight away so that my child gets their choices?
- Will my child be taught by the same teacher they have now?
- My child wants to do XXXX because their friends are doing it, is this a good idea?
- I want to make sure my child gets to do XXX can they pick this as a first choice and put it as a reserve?
- My child has had their option choices confirmed can you change their group or their choices?
- (September 2024) My child has been doing the subject for a few week now and has decided they want to change, can they change subject to?
- (October/November 2024) My child wants to change subject can they change now?



Key Dates

Wc Monday 18 December	Year 9 Options information hub opens on school website
Tuesday 16 January	Year 9 Information Evening/launch of Option Helpdesk email
Wc Monday 29 January	Year 9 Assessment to parent/carers Subject assemblies in school 1 to 1 Option interviews with students commence
Thursday 1 February	Year 9 Parents' Evening 4.30pm - 8.30pm
19th Feb – 18th March	Consultation and decision-making time Option return forms completed online via Insight
18th March	Deadline for Option form returns.



Celebration of Results



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