



4 January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 GCSE Options: Thursday 27 January at 6.00 p.m.

Welcome back to the new term. As you will all be aware, we are about to start the all-important process of helping your child to make their GCSE choices for study in Years 10 and 11. This letter is to share some key dates that will be useful in the coming months.

I am also writing to provide some information regarding a GCSE pathway called the English Baccalaureate (EBacc). The EBacc is a set of subjects that ensure young people have a solid academic foundation on which to build and keeps their options open for further study and future careers. Students who are in sets 1 or 2 for maths will continue to follow this pathway. This means students in sets 1 and 2 maths will take English, maths, science, history or geography and a modern language as well as their other choices.

Please find below a timeline for the options process:

Date:	Options process:
Monday 24 January 2022	Options Booklet sent to parents/ carers
Thursday 27 January @ 6.00 p.m.	Launch of Options Process – please click to join the event - Virtual Live Presentation . There will be a chance to ask questions (these will either be answered live or via a FAQs document sent out after the event). The presentation will be recorded, so will be available to view should you be unable to attend.
From Friday 28 January	Parents/Carers can email: Options@mrc-academy.org to ask questions.
Friday 4 February	Updated FAQ document published.
Monday 7 February	Parents/Carers can email: Options@mrc-academy.org to ask any follow-up questions from the presentations or seeking clarifications.
Thursday 24 March	Parents' Evening – parents/carers will be able to ask teachers/ HoDs any final questions.
Options Form deadline	Options Form submitted by Monday 28 March to Mrs Silverthorne

We look forward to 'seeing' you on **Thursday 27 January at 6.00 p.m.** and receiving your questions either during the evening or via Options@mrc-academy.org from Friday 28 January.

Yours sincerely

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