

RISEDALE SCHOOL

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Dear parent/carer

SUBJECT: Year 9 Options Evening (Thursday 17th March 2022)

Over the forthcoming weeks, your child will be making important choices about the subjects they wish to study at KS4. After a very challenging few years for young people, this is an exciting time for our pupils, as it represents the first opportunity for them to take greater control of their educational pathway.

All pupils study the compulsory subjects of English, Mathematics, Science, Religion Philosophy and Ethics (RPE), PE and Social Studies. However, they also have a choice of 4 more subjects known as their 'options'.

On Thursday 17th March, we will be holding our Year 9 Options Evening. During this evening, you and your child will be able to find out more about the subjects on offer and talk to the staff delivering these subjects.

The evening will take place in the school hall, starting at 5pm and finishing at 7pm. You can arrive at any time and do not need to be present for the entirety of the evening, however, please allow yourself enough time to peruse all the information on offer and to discuss what option subjects would be appropriate for your child.

On the evening, you will be provided with a comprehensive Options Booklet, which clearly outlines all of the subjects and the key dates for the option process together with details of the option blocks.

Your child will not need to make their final choices on the Options Evening. A period of time will be provided for reflection and to gain extra information or support as required. We will then send all parents a link to an electronic Options Form which you and your child can complete together. Whilst we will always endeavour to give pupils the options they have chosen, please understand that on rare occasions this may not be possible e.g. if there are not enough pupils who have selected an option to make it a viable class, then I am afraid that this option may not run.

Thank you for your support throughout this important process and please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries <u>vates.j@risedale.org.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

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