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Dear Parent

Year 8 Options Evening

As you are aware your daughter will complete her two-year Key Stage 3 programme at the end of this academic year. It is therefore time to look forward and make choices and decisions about Key Stage 4 and her GCSEs.

Our Key Stage 4 curriculum from September 2010 will offer your daughter the opportunity to sit some GCSEs at the end of Year 10. It will also offer her a truly personalised experience – there will be more flexibility in subject choice, extension opportunities for the very able, additional support and time for those that may require it and breadth and depth of experience. We feel that even in a selective system, we should be meeting the needs of every student and supporting her to achieve her full potential.

Your daughter will therefore choose two subjects for GCSE entry at the end of Year 10. She will make two further choices during Year 9 for GCSE entry at the end of Year 11. This is additional to any compulsory core subjects which have to be studied. Pre-GCSE courses will run throughout Year 9 to ensure continuity of study and to support her to make her final choices.

The nuts and bolts of how this will work are quite detailed and a letter will not do them justice. I would therefore like to invite you into school on **24 February 2010 at 7.00 pm** to meet with me and explore in detail the choices now open to your daughter. I will be joined by senior members of staff and Form Tutors. By this date your daughter will have been given a booklet to bring home, containing the full details and the option form. She will also have discussed this in school with the appropriate staff.

We are delighted to be able to offer this new pathway. I very much look forward to meeting with you. Please complete the reply slip below and return to school (to your daughter's Form Tutor) by Friday 5 February.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S N Cromie
Headteacher



Options Evening

Students Name: _____ Form: _____

I will / will not be attending the Options evening on 24 February 2010.

Signature: _____ (parent) Date: _____

Please complete and return to your daughter's Form Tutor by Friday 5 February. **Committed to Excellence**



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