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10th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

As outlined in last week's Parent Bulletin, given the current circumstances surrounding Covid-19, regrettably, the Year 9 Options Evening scheduled to take place on site on Thursday will now move to an online/virtual format.

In order to make this as straightforward as possible, I'd like to draw your attention to the following highlights:

Wednesday 12th January

Your child will receive a hard copy of a Key Stage 4 Information Booklet, along with a timeline including all the important dates in the Options Process. The Key Stage 4 Information Booklets contain detailed information on each of the qualifications on offer at Biddick Academy and will help you and your child to make informed decisions about their Options.

I will also be outlining the Options process to the year group during the assembly in the morning and sharing links to individual presentations created for subjects on ClassCharts and Teams – these presentations provide specific information on what the students will learn, how they will be assessed and what key skills they require to be successful.

Thursday 13th January

The Year 9 Options Evening will take place on Zoom from 4pm to 6pm (please find the link below).

This evening will comprise a presentation on the Options process followed by an interactive question and answer session. Whilst I ask that your cameras and microphones are switched off for the duration, questions can be privately asked throughout the evening at any point using the chat function and I will make sure to answer them or direct you to a more relevant member of staff.

If you have any questions about the Options process which you would like to ask in advance of the Options Evening, please feel free to send them to my email address below and I will answer them in the Options Evening on Thursday.

Zoom link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86255300667?pwd=T1pKUE1ybHFpYVZlMlQNGJJZkgZz09>

Friday 14th January

Year 10 students will be available during lunchtime for an informal drop-in question and answer session in the Watson Hall.

This is an opportunity for your child to ask existing enrolled students any questions they may have about each qualification to help them decide which course is right for them.

Monday 17th January

Once you have had time to digest all of the information provided over the course of the week, I will send out a provisional Options form for you and your child to complete together electronically on Microsoft Forms.

As above, please free to contact me on this email address if you have any questions about the options process knowles.j@biddickacademy.com

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Knowles
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