



EMMANUEL COLLEGE
Emmanuel Schools Foundation

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Dear Parents and Carers

I write in advance of the half term break to launch the GCSE options process for Year 9 students. This is an exciting time for our students as they consider the subjects they wish to study over the next two years. To assist students in their decision-making, you will find the following information on the GCSE options page of our [website](#):

The Upper School Options Booklet

This provides information on the options process itself together with details of each course we offer.

Departmental Videos

Videos prepared by each department with information on the content of their courses.

Student Videos

Some of our Year 10 students talk through their option choices and pass on advice to the current Year 9 students.

Students do not need to make their decision just yet, as they will need time to consider the options available. The results of their forthcoming exams may also have an influence on their decision. Following the Year 9 exams, each student will be invited to a one-to-one meeting with a senior member of staff to discuss their options. I encourage students to also speak to their teachers if they have any subject-specific questions about the options they are considering.

I will write to you again in a few weeks' time with a link to the relevant form so that you can advise us of the subjects your son/daughter wishes to study at GCSE. The final deadline for students to make their option choices is **Monday 5 July**.

The exams following the half-term holiday offer students the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and I do hope each of our students is preparing well to achieve their personal best. I also hope that they can plan some time for relaxation during the upcoming half-term break and return to College fresh and prepared to do their best in the exams.

Yours sincerely

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