

Dear parents and carers,

As you are aware, we have launched the Options Process to students in Year 9 and have encouraged them to start thinking about the subjects that they might like to study for their GCSEs. As part of that process, we would like to make you aware of two important dates.

The first is a Year 9 Core Subjects Parents' Evening. This will be held on Tuesday 16th April and will be an opportunity for you to meet with the teachers of the compulsory GCSE subjects: English, Mathematics, Science and Religious Studies. For teachers who are unable to attend Parents' Evening on **Tuesday 16th April**, a second date is scheduled for Wednesday 17th April. Please note that this is not a second Parents' Evening but an opportunity for a small number of teachers to hold Parents' Evening appointments on their working days.

All Parents' Evening appointments are held virtually via Schoolcloud, our online Parents' Evening portal. The booking system will be live from Friday 22nd March and the link that you will need to access this portal is here: <https://arthurterry.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Please note that to log into SchoolCloud successfully, your child's first and second name, as well as your email address, must match exactly with the details that you have registered with school. Please contact [parentsevening@arthurterry.bham.sch.uk](mailto:parentsevening@arthurterry.bham.sch.uk) if you experience any difficulties logging onto SchoolCloud.

Once you have logged onto SchoolCloud, you will be automatically connected to the appointments available for your child's subject teacher. You will then be able to manually select an appointment time to suit you. Appointment times are carefully managed so that there is 'no running over'. Each KS3 appointment will last for 5 minutes. Subjects with multiple teachers may decide to conduct these appointments separately, or you may find that you have an appointment with multiple teachers at the same time. This will be clear during the booking process.

The second key date is **Thursday 18th April**. This is the date of our Options Evening. This will be an in-person event hosted at school from 4pm to 6pm. During the evening you will have the opportunity to hear subject specific presentations from each options subject detailing their course requirements and GCSE content. A timetable of the evening is listed below. Please have a look through the schedule so that you can plan your evening once you arrive at school.

If you have any further questions about the Year 9 Options Process or timeline, please follow this link <https://arthurterry.bham.sch.uk/options/>. We look forward to supporting your son/daughter through the options process and welcoming you into school on Thursday 18th April.

Many thanks,

The Leadership Group

**Year 8 Options Workshop Evening, Thursday 18th April 2024.**  
**You are invited to a series of workshops in the subject areas that are being offered at GCSE .**

4:00-4:15pm		4:20-4:35pm		4:40-4:55pm		5:00-5:15pm		5:20-5:35pm		5:40-6:00pm	
Subject	Room	Subject	Room	Subject	Room	Subject	Room	Subject	Room	Subject	Room
Business Studies	B2.5	Business Enterprise (Cambridge National)	B2.5	Business Studies	B2.5	Business Enterprise (Cambridge National)	B2.5	Business Studies	B2.5	Business Studies	B2.3
Art	B3.1	Art	B3.1	Art	B3.1	Art	B3.1	Art	B3.1	Art	B3.1
Music	B1.1	Music	B1.1	Music	B1.1	Music	B1.1	Music	B1.1	Music	B1.1
Drama	B1.4	Drama	B1.4	Drama	B1.4	Drama	B1.4	Drama	B1.4	Drama	B1.4
Sport (BTEC)	B1.2	Sport (BTEC)	B1.2	Sport (BTEC)	B1.2	Sport (BTEC)	B1.2				
Geography	C1.1/C1.2	Geography	C1.1/C1.2	Geography	C1.1/C1.2	Geography	C1.1/C1.2	Geography	C1.1/C1.2	Geography	C1.1/C1.2
History	C1.5/C1.7	History	C1.5/C1.7	History	C1.5/C1.7	History	C1.5/C1.7	History	C1.5/C1.7	History	C1.5/C1.7
Health & Social Care (BTEC)	C1.6	Health & Social Care (BTEC)	C1.6								
French/Spanish	D1.2	French/Spanish	D1.2	French/Spanish	D1.2	French/Spanish	D1.2	French/Spanish	D1.2	French/Spanish	D1.2
				Food Preparation Nutrition	E1.3	Food Preparation Nutrition	E1.3	Food Preparation Nutrition	E1.3		
Computer Science	B2.6	lMedia (Cambridge National)	B2.1	Computer Science	B2.6	lMedia (Cambridge National)	B2.1	Computer Science	B2.6	Computer Science	B2.6
Design Technology	E2.2	Textiles	E2.3	Design Technology	E2.2	Textiles	E2.3	Design Technology	E2.2	Textiles	E2.3

**Complete the online Options choice form with your parents by Sunday 28th April. The online form will be sent to you via email on Friday 19th April.**