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Dear Parent, Guardian or Carer

Key Stage 4 Guided Choices 2023

Choosing GCSE courses is a very exciting time for our Year 9 students. Our calendar is designed to ensure that students and their families have as much information and advice as they need in order to make informed and positive decisions about their future pathways.

The Guided Choices process has been designed specifically to support the next step into key stage 4. We provide advice and guidance to both you and your son/daughter to support academic decisions that have balance and breadth across the curriculum. I would like to stress that all recommendations are advice and guidance only and if after reviewing the suggested choices you would like to discuss an alternative then please do not hesitate to contact me at l.keys@warriner.oxon.sch.uk.

Students will attend a special 'Guided Choices' assembly on **Thursday 2nd February** to explain the process and will be sign posted to the online booklet on the website that contains details of the course offer and the relevant form for completion.

Next week, links to **Thursday 9th February: Virtual Guided Choices Information Evening** will be available on the KS4 Guided Choices page of the website. This will consist of an introduction from Miss Keys, Mr Fisher, and Mr Knowles at 5:30pm followed by six slots for you to visit subject specific talks about the content of the syllabus and for you to ask initial questions.

Thursday 9th March 3.30-7.30pm: Virtual Subject Consultation Evening will allow your son/daughter's teachers to discuss student progress and is deliberately timed to coincide with the Guided Choices process. In addition to this being a traditional 'parents evening' it will also provide you with the opportunity to talk to individual subject teachers about the courses on offer and their suitability for your child.

Once you have confirmed the selection of subjects through the Guided Choices information, selection of courses must be made using the link on the website. Places on courses will NOT be allocated on a first come, first served basis, therefore please do not rush your decision.

Friday 10th March: Guided Choices Form Submission deadline

Yours sincerely

Miss Lotty Keys
Assistant Headteacher

Mr Jim Knowles
Head of Year 9

"It's great how you make the children feel so central to the process, and in charge of their own destinies. Quite a few of our friends have older children at different schools, and I was braced for a much more stressful, angst-ridden process."

Year 9 parent

