



Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021

Dear Parent or Carer,

Today is the launch of the Key Stage 4 Options process for our Year 9 students. Please find below all information you should need to support your child in making their course choices for the next stage of their education.

### Options Booklet

[The Key Stage 4 Options Booklet](#) provides a wealth of information and guidance to support you and your child as they make selections for their courses in Year 10 and 11. Within the guide, you will find details for core and optional courses, as well as information about new terminology, types of qualification, careers support and wider curriculum topics.

### Information Video

[The Information Video](#) is designed to introduce myself and detail the key points of the timeline for the next few weeks. Hopefully, this provides some further detail to the Options booklet and supports you and your child through the course selection process.

### Course Information Videos

As detailed in the timeline that you have already received, the Course Information Videos will be shared with students during their PSHE session on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**. The videos will then be made available to students via Teams; giving an opportunity for you to sit and view these together at home, to facilitate conversations around the courses that your child is interested in for future study.

### Parents Evening

To provide you with the most up-to-date and relevant information regarding the suitability of a course for your child, Parents Evening will be hosted online on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021**. In addition to academic progress, teachers will be able to discuss whether a course is an appropriate choice for your child. The Business Department will be available for appointments should you wish to discuss Business GCSE, Business BTEC or Health & Social Care BTEC qualifications; as the only department not represented in the Key Stage 3 curriculum, all students have been added to a special group in SchoolCloud, should you wish to make an appointment.

If you have not yet created a log in for SchoolCloud, please do so here:

<https://ahcs.schoolcloud.co.uk/> A step-by-step help sheet can be found here:

<https://www.allhallows.net/parents-evening.html>

Appointments will be made on a first-come-first-serve basis via the SchoolCloud system. The booking system will go **live at 8pm on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February**, when you will be able to log in to book appointments. The booking system will **close on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March**, at 4pm.



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## Options Form

To express your child's choices for Key Stage 4, please use [this form](#). The link to this form will become **live on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**, at 12:15am, and will **close on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March**, at 11:45pm. Please do not attempt to make submissions outside of these times, as the form will not be active.

Please only submit one form per child; it is essential that care is taken to complete the information correctly before you submit your child's choices to the school, checking that you have not selected the same course more than once.

I would encourage you and your child to engage with the supporting documents as much as possible, to fully prepare for submitting course choices for Key Stage 4. I hope that you will find the information useful, however should you have any queries regarding the Options process please do contact the school by emailing [admin@allhallows.net](mailto:admin@allhallows.net)

Yours sincerely,

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