Friday 10 February 2017

Dear Parent / Carer,

RE: KS 4 GCSE Evening 4.15pm Monday 20 February 2017

I am writing with regards your son / daughter's pathways into year 10 next academic year.

On Thursday afternoon I held an assembly with your son / daughter to gauge interest in the GCSE choices they will have within the option blocks available. These blocks align with our curriculum to ensure that all students are able to access the Ebacc qualification. Students will choose from a 'Humanities' and an 'Open' block, as well as completing the core curriculum.

This was very rewarding and there were lots of exciting conversations about which subjects the students would want to take at GCSE. With this in mind, I enclose a copy of our Key Stage 4 GCSE Pathway Booklet providing details of the subjects on offer and a blank copy of the choices sheet. I would be grateful if you would discuss with your son / daughter the choices available and then complete the blank copy and return to the school office by **Monday 20 February 2017**. This will enable me to timetable your son / daughters GCSE choices for next year.

In order to ensure that you are able to make a fully informed decision and to discuss the choices made with teaching staff I would like to invite you to our KS4 GCSE Pathway Evening at **4.15pm on Monday 20 February 2017**. The evening will start with a short presentation from Mr Lees and you will then have the opportunity to talk to teaching staff before your son / daughter makes their final choices.

Please be aware that this is a complex process and I will try wherever possible to give your son / daughter the choices indicated in each block. If you are unsure of the choices that would be most suitable for your son / daughter please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours sincerely

Mr D Lees
Headteacher