

Arthur Mellows Village College

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9 December 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

YEAR 9 OPTIONS INFORMATION EVENING: MONDAY 27 JANUARY 2025

As you are aware, we are fast approaching the time when Year 9 students will need to be thinking and deciding upon their selections for GCSE options. To try and prepare students for these new options, we will be holding a Year 9 Options Parent / Carer Information Evening on Monday 27 January 2025 from 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm.

There will be two main talks in the Main Hall:

Talk 1 from 5.30 pm to 6.00 pm for students who are presently studying French in Year 9

Talk 2 from 6.15 pm to 6.45 pm for students who are presently studying Spanish in Year 9

This will involve an introduction and discussion on vocational subjects from Mr Watson (Deputy Headteacher) along with presentations from Mrs Wilson (Head of Year 9) on the options process, Mr Ros (Head of MFL) on either French or Spanish, depending on the talk attending, and Mrs Debbage (Head of Science) to discuss Science and the differences between Combined Science and Single Science.

At all other times from **5.30pm to 7.30pm**, and if not in the main talk, parents / carers and students will be free to attend a carousel of presentations from staff for those subjects that students have not studied before, including GCSE Business; Vocational Health and Social Care; Vocational Creative Media; GCSE Economics; Vocational Travel and Tourism; GCSE PE; Vocational Sport and GCSE Film Studies. A rotation of timings for these sessions, along with rooms where these will take place, will be sent out nearer the event.

Below is a list of Year 9 Options dates you should be aware of, to help support students and parents / carers:

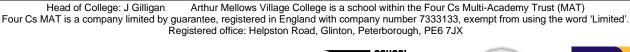
December 2024: Year 9 Options Booklet distributed to parents / carers.

Monday 27 January 2025: Year 9 Options Information Evening for parents / carers and students.

Monday 3 February 2025: Online Year 9 Teacher Feedback Event (further discussions available with your child's Class Teachers). Further information to follow.

After Tuesday 4 February 2025: Year 9 Option online form sent to parents / carers to request your child's choices.

Friday 14 February 2025: Deadline for Year 9 Option choices online form to be submitted.













July 2025: Options confirmed to student.

We do hope that you will be able to join the Information Evening to enable you to support your child with their Year 9 Options selection.

Yours sincerely

MR R WATSON AND MRS R WILSON

Deputy Headteacher Head of Year 9