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Thursday 3 February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to provide you with some detail on this year's options process. As I am sure you are already aware, at Oakmoor children in year 8 select the option subjects that they would like to continue to study in KS4. This is a hugely important and exciting time for our students as they look to take the next step in their education.

We will provide you with all of the information that you need in the coming weeks but at this early stage, I wanted to share a few important dates with you so that you can understand the process that your child will go through.

Thursday 3rd February 2022 – Year 8 Parents Evening

You will receive valuable information regarding your child's progress in each subject. This will help to paint a picture of where they are making good progress and what they can do to improve. In turn, this will be helpful with discussions around possible option selections.

Wednesday 9th February 2022 – Experience Day 3

Students will start to explore a wide range of different careers and the qualifications that they would require to achieve pursuing that goal. In addition to this work, they will have an online assembly. The aim of this assembly is to ensure that all students understand how our options process works, the timeline that we work to and what we recommend to ensure that all students maintain a broad and balanced curriculum.

Thursday 3rd March 2022 – Virtual Options Evening

Given the current rate of infection locally and nationally, we will continue to run our Options Evening as a virtual event. This will include a presentation and all of the information you need as you and your child consider the different subjects that are available to study at KS4.

Thursday 17th March 2022 – Options Online Form Submission Deadline

As part of the virtual options evening you will receive access to a link that will allow you and your child to select their top six options. We will ask you to rank these in preference order from 1 to 6. Depending on which options are selected it isn't always possible to achieve the top four preferences. In this case we look to option preference 5 and 6.

After the deadline we will check that each student has selected a broad and balanced curriculum and have individual conversations with the students and their parents and carers if required. This can take some time but is worth it to ensure that each student has the right curriculum that will support their progression into the next stage of their education.

July 2022 – Options Confirmed

I will write to all students, parents and carers in the final week of the summer term to confirm the final four options in advance of the summer holiday.

I hope that you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Headteacher