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Dear Parents/Guardians,

YEAR 9 Options <https://www.castlerocksch.uk/gcse-options/>

The options process is now open for our current Year 9 students. In discussion with you, your child will be able to pick the subjects they wish to study in Year 10 and 11 as their option choices.

On the school website you will find the Options Booklet which explains in detail all the courses we are offering. There is information about the qualification, the outline of each course and overview of what will be studied.

<https://www.castlerocksch.uk/downloads/GCSE-Support/Year10OptionsBooklet2022.pdf>

There is also a video which will be shown to students in assembly and Tutor time that explains the whole process and guides them to consider their reasons for picking a subject. It is well worth looking at this film as it provides more information about the Ebacc as well as key information about the options process and deadlines.

<https://youtu.be/tTjmwWx1Slq>

On the website you will also find a link to the online form that will need to be completed to select the courses that your child wishes to choose. Please fill in all the details as this will allow us to keep you informed of the subjects that are allocated to your child at the end of the process. You can only complete the form once. Please make sure that you double check your child's selection before submitting the form. Your child will need to use their school email address and password to log in and complete the form. The email address is in the format 19jbloggs@castlerocksch.uk (19, first initial, surname). Their password is the same as when they log into the computers at school.

<https://forms.office.com/r/M8qW2kbKZM>



If there are any issues with completing the form and selecting option choices, then please contact the office.

The deadline for submitting your option choices is January 28th 2022. Please be aware that options are not allocated on a first come, first serve basis and instead we will analyse option choices and assess students' suitability for the courses chosen.

We hope that you find all the information useful in making choices.

Best wishes

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