



11 September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

As your child starts Year 10, I am pleased to be writing with details of our GCSE Launch Evening and Careers Fair on Monday 22 September.

**Careers Fair** is our annual event and is available to Year 10 students and their families from 4.30pm until 6pm in the Sports Hall. Representatives from local colleges and training providers will be available alongside our own careers advisers and representatives from local and national businesses.

**GCSE Launch Evening** will start at 6pm in the Main Hall. The aim of this evening is to support you as families at this key time as the GCSE courses begin, and we strongly recommend all families attend with their child.

There will be a talk in the Main Hall from 6pm till 6.40pm to highlight the context specific to this year group, share key dates and provide an overview of the core subjects - English, Maths and Science.

This is followed by an opportunity to visit each of your child's 3 options subjects so you have clarity about the courses, content and how you can support your child through GCSEs. Option subject talks will run from 6.45pm till 7.30pm in various rooms (programme available on the day of your visit).

We would like to remind you that parking on site is very limited. The college parking will be available **from 5.30pm** but please be sure to pay the £1.00 parking fee.

Yours sincerely

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