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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8/9 Option Process 2020

Over recent years we have started the option process at this point in year 8, ready for Sept 2020 and the start of your son/daughters Year 9 studies. This is the time of year which this process would normally begin, as is highlighted in our school calendar. However, this year and moving forwards we are amending this process.

We continually refine and evolve our curriculum offer at Bilton to embrace the changing educational landscape as well as to reflect the changing needs and demands of our students' futures. Therefore the more formal option process will happen at this point in the school calendar in Year 9 rather than Year 8. There will be some subtle changes to the Year 9 curriculum from September 2020 which I will share with you later in the current academic calendar.

Our rationale for this is to introduce a broader and balanced curriculum offer which will allow students' post 16 directions to be better considered over a longer period.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully

Tim Chambers
Headteacher
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