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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Key Stage 4 Options

As you may be aware, the Government has made many significant changes to the examination system in recent years. New, more rigorous, GCSE courses have been introduced and our current Year 8 will sit these in Summer 2021.

These changes are incredibly important, and we feel it is critical that you and your son/daughter are as informed as possible. To help you in this, we will be holding a **Year 8 KS4 Curriculum Evening on Tuesday 20 February 2018**, beginning promptly at **4.00 p.m.** and finishing at **6.00 p.m.**, which we would like to invite you, and your son/daughter, to attend.

Our Curriculum Evening will give you an overview of the options process and the decisions your son/daughter, together with you, will need to make about which subjects they will take forward to GCSE. Details of the GCSE subjects taught from Year 9, as well as examinations requirements, will be shared with you during the evening to enable you to make informed choices. Subject leaders will also be on hand to answer any of your queries about their subject and the changes to them.

We understand how important these curriculum choices are to you and your son/daughter. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at school. I am confident that by working together we can enable your son/daughter to make the right choices. I look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Yours faithfully

Mrs T Burgess
Deputy Headteacher

