

# Venerable Bede Church of England Academy

## Northern Lights Learning Trust



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Dear Parent/Carer,

### Year 8 Subject Choices

Further to the information sent earlier this term, please find enclosed an information pack outlining the curriculum that your child will study next year, (i.e. in 2024/25), along with details of some of the choices they will have regarding the subjects they will study in Year 9.

The information pack aims to help your child make some of the very first decisions they are able to make about what they will study on their educational journey. The current Year 9 curriculum has been designed so that pupils have the maximum amount of time and support to make wise and informed choices about the subjects they will go on to study in KS4, whilst also maintaining a broad and balanced curriculum. The model also gives Year 9 pupils an opportunity to have a "taste" of subjects which might be unfamiliar to them, to help guide their future choices. Whilst the choices that they make now will determine what they study in Year 9 – they will also go on to help inform their final curriculum choices about the subjects they will then take forward to the end of Year 11.

If you have any questions regarding this process or about the choices your child needs to make ahead of next year, you can contact us via a dedicated email address: [VBY8Progress@nllt.co.uk](mailto:VBY8Progress@nllt.co.uk)

'2024/25 Subject Choices' forms need to be completed and returned by **4pm on Wednesday 17th April 2024**. Completed forms can/should be handed to **form tutors during registration time**.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs T. Burgess  
Head of School

