

February 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to invite you to our Year 9 Options Evening, which will be held on **Wednesday 12** March 2025 between 4.30pm and 6:30pm.

This is a general options evening for students in Year 9 and is a chance for you and your child to speak to staff about the options on offer next year so that we can support you in making the right choices.

There will be a series of stands manned by subject teachers and they can talk to you about the exciting opportunities available in their subject areas. There will also a careers exhibition, including stands from various colleges and further education providers, which will give you and your child an opportunity to find out about entry requirements for future study and careers.

In response to parent feedback, the options booklet will be available online from Friday 7 March 2025 and a link to this will be sent to you by email. This will give you time to look through the options booklet with your child prior to attending the event. You will receive details on how to access the online options booking system on the evening. We will also send you a link to complete a career aspirations survey with your child after the options evening. This will give us an insight into their potential future plans so that we can ensure that, not only do their options choices support this, but we can also plan future careers experiences for the year group based on their responses.

The online options process opens to all students on Thursday 13 March 2025 and closes on Wednesday 19 March 2025. You will be provided with a letter containing the web code at the options evening and an online link will be provided to your child, along with another copy of the code, by their Form Tutors. This will allow you to log in to their personalised account and make their option choices with them.

If your child has not received their web code by Friday 14 March 2025, please email <u>info@appletonacademy.co.uk</u> and we will provide this for you via email.

If you or your child are still unsure about the process or which options to choose after the Options Evening, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully

Miss Derrington Deputy Headteacher

