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RE: Year 11 Options Launch

Dear parent/carer,

A series of presentations and resources will be available on the school website from the 10th November onwards which run through the options and guidance process in place for our year 11 students. The presentations will run through the timeline of support to assist students with their decisions linked to their learning pathway beyond year 11. The options process will be launched in school with students during their assembly on the 10th November, with follow up during their wellbeing lesson on the 17th November. We would encourage you to view the information, resources, and presentations in the following location on the school website:

https://www.whitchurchhs.wales/Curriculum/Y12and13SubjectInformation/

The timeline of support with key dates is summarised below:

YEAR 11 OPTION PROCESS 2025-2026

- COMPLETION OF ILPP: September 2025 to April 2026
- YEAR 11 OPTIONS LAUNCH: Week beginning 10th November 2025
- OPTION SUBJECT INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE: December 2025
- KEY STAGE 5 SUBJECT OPTION TALKS IN LESSONS AND ASSEMBLY: December 2025 onwards
- SIXTH FORM OPTIONS OPEN EVENING: 15th January 2026 5-7pm
- FREE CHOICE SURVEY: 19th January 2nd February 2026 the decisions made by pupils at this stage are used to help formulate the Sixth form option grid.
- OPTION GRID AVAILABLE: 13th February 2026
- INDIVIDUAL STUDENT INTERVIEWS: 24th, 25th and 26th February 2026
- SIXTH FORM APPLICATION DEADLINE: 9th March 2026.

We are looking forward to working with you and our students to support them with the key decisions that lie ahead. If you have any questions or we can support in any way, please contact us on 02920 629 700.

Your Sincerely,

Miss C Hollings - Assistant headteacher 14-16

Mrs W Johnson - Year 11 Progress Leader

Mr J Miller - Year 11 Assistant Progress Leader