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Dear Year 9 Parents / Carers

KEY STAGE 4 OPTIONS

Further to our letter of 09 January, we have moved the options parents' meetings originally scheduled for Wednesday 29 March to Thursday 30 March. This follows the recent announcement from the Welsh Government that an additional INSET day has been allocated to schools and Wednesday 29 March will now be an INSET day at Cantonian. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

The full, updated key dates for options are:

Wednesday 18 January

Two weeks of assemblies from subjects begin, explaining the various options courses on offer to pupils.

• Wednesday 25 January

Options Marketplace event in school from 4pm. Parents and pupils to attend.

Wednesday 01 February

Free choice exercise deadline. Pupils will have been asked to choose (in order of preference) three potential subjects that they would be interested in studying.

Monday 20 March

Formal option choices deadline. Pupils will have been given the subjects in option blocks. Three subjects (one from each option column) must be selected.

Thursday 30 March

Options Parents' Meetings in school. **Parents and pupils to attend** to discuss and agree with their form tutors the pupils' final options.

It is very important that you spend time with your child considering the options available. Please be assured that there will be plenty of support given to aid your child in making the best decision.

Should you have any queries regarding the options process, please contact us via email at ghd@cantonian.cardiff.sch.uk / hje@cantonian.cardiff.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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