

Sir Robert Pattinson Academy

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Ref: TLR/Y9 Options Letter Jan 2018

January 2018

Dear Parent

Re: Year 9 Options Week 22 – 26 January 2018

Our Year 9 Options Week will begin on 22 January 2018. The aim of the week is to provide your son/daughter with relevant course information, career pathways and an opportunity to take part in lessons which will include GCSE content and activities. It will provide students with an in-depth knowledge of the subjects offered at GCSE and help guide them with their choices.

Each subject that your son/daughter attends during this week will include GCSE content, demonstrate the standard of work expected and expose them to the style of content that will be delivered during Years 10 & 11.

On **Wednesday 24 January**, students will select up to four subjects that they may not have studied in Key Stage 3 and attend a carousel of sample lessons delivered by subject teachers. These lessons will provide important information about course content, types of qualification and expectations of the student. It is up to the student to select which talks to attend based on the subjects they would like to study in Key Stage 4.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to the Year 9 Options Evening on **Thursday 25 January** which starts at 5.30pm. The aim of the evening is to provide you and your child with more information on the subjects available. There will be two introductory talks in the Hall along with a series of timetabled talks, which you can choose to attend according to your child's personal interests, plus time for informal discussions with staff in the Sports Hall throughout the evening. You will have the opportunity to talk to members of the SEN and Pastoral Team, Heads of Department, members of the Academy's Senior Leadership Team and to our careers team.

Finally, for some students, the English Baccalaureate (Ebacc) pathway will be most suitable. This pathway encompasses a broad and balanced mixture of subjects, and includes the study of English, mathematics, 2 sciences, history or geography and a Modern Foreign Language. The Ebacc pathway is essential if your child is aiming for a university education, or further education including the study of academic subjects. If your child has been selected for the Ebacc pathway, you will see these options when you log on to FROG.

Students who are not recommended for the Ebacc will still have the opportunity to choose these subjects. However they will need to demonstrate academic ability (Separate Science) and good engagement grades to be successful in these subjects.

This year's options booklet is available online on our website and on FROG. This has all the relevant information for each subject, career pathways, option blocks and key information for the options process, including further information on the events mentioned within this letter.

In the meantime if you wish to discuss any aspect of this letter, then could I please direct you in the first instance to your child's Personal Tutor or to a member of SLT at the Options Evening. To contact them, please email enquiries@srpa.co.uk stating the member of staff to whom your query should be forwarded.

Yours sincerely



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