



*Saint Joseph's*

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

**KS3 Curriculum Year 9 September – December**

Towards the end of the academic year, the school will be sharing with pupils and parents the details of the options choices available so that you will have the summer holidays to think, discuss and narrow down your decisions.

With these changes approaching, the creative arts and technology departments are aware that 12 lessons would be challenging to deliver an impactful curriculum if all subjects were taught to all the pupils within the year group.

In the up and coming weeks before half term we will be asking pupils to aid the selection of subjects that would be delivered to them for those first two terms. All the following subjects will be available for selection:

- Art
- Product Design
- Food Technology
- Computer Science
- Creative Media
- Drama
- Music

Pupils will be asked to rank their choices in order of preference and pupils will then be placed in to three subjects that they will continue to learn from September to December.

We cannot promise that pupils will take part in their three favourite subjects however their decisions will be considered along with the staff's professional judgment to whether the subject could be an opportunity for them to thrive and flourish.

I would like to make it clear that these are not GCSE options and pupils will not be locked into these subjects for the remainder of Year 9, but these 3 opportunities could help them to make option choices to ensure they are 100% confident the subject is the correct one to enrol in for 2.5 years.

If you have any questions related to this matter, please contact me via reception.

Yours Sincerely

**Miss K. Mallows**

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