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Dear Parents/Guardians

Year 8 into Year 9 Options Information Evening
Wednesday 8th February 2017
6.30pm, Business Centre

As you may already be aware, this is a period of significant change in education, with new GCSE courses and Vocational Qualifications, as well as pathways such as traditional A-Level/ University courses through to national apprenticeships. Therefore, we will be using this opportunity to explain how these changes will impact students in Year 8 and affect the options they might wish to take both now and in the future.

In September we will provide learners with a curriculum that is relevant and meets their interests and aspirations; students will be fully engaged with their learning, making better progress and achieving higher standards as a result. Our emphasis will be on providing a broad and balanced curriculum and we aim to design a package for each individual that reflects their preferred options.

We aim to give students the freedom to specialise in subjects that they find personally interesting and relevant to their future, whilst providing them with a broad and balanced curriculum.

At this meeting, we will give out a **Year 8 into Year 9 Options Information Booklet**. It is important that they study this as it gives information about the courses offered.

Each student will be able to choose from the following groups of subjects:

- Business / Computing / Media Studies
- Humanities (Geography, History) / MFL (French, Spanish)
- Expressive Arts (Art, Photography, Technology, Hair and Beauty) / Performing Arts (Drama, Music)

The options form will be given out at Options Evening.

The following events are in place to ensure that you and your child are fully informed about their current academic attainment and the Year 9 courses on offer at CBEC.

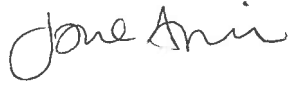
February - March	Tutors work with their tutees during PDL and presentations are given by Heads of Department about their subject.
Wednesday 26th April	Year 8 Parents' Evening. This is an opportunity for you and your child to discuss their progress with subject teachers.
Friday 28th April	The deadline for completed Year 8 into Year 9 Options Forms to be submitted. They must be signed by the student, parent/guardian and form tutor.

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Students are encouraged to talk through any issues they may have with their subject teachers. We do want to work closely with you throughout the process and if you have any questions or require any further information please contact either your child's tutor or Mr Greene, Progress Manager, Year 8.

Yours faithfully



Mrs J Aplin
Headteacher



Mr J Greene
Progress Manager Year 8

Please return this slip to your child's form tutor by Tuesday 7 February 2017

*I/we will/will not be attending Year 8 into Year 9 Options Information Evening on Wednesday 8 February 2017 at 6.30pm in the Business Centre.

Signed: Date:
*Parent/Guardian

Student's name: Tutor Group:

*Please delete as appropriate.