



Monday 12th January 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 9 Options Process

In the spring term, as part of the Options Process, each student will select their Key Stage 4 subject choices. In order to help you plan ahead please find some key dates and information about the process below.

Date	Event
12 th January 2026	Options information Booklet available through the school website. You can access the full Options Booklet and further information on this link https://cgss.co/9options . Please take the time to consider this with your child as we start the process.
19 th January – 10 th February 2026	Year 9 Careers Interviews – every student will meet with Mrs Thompson to discuss their career aspirations.
29 th January 2026	Options Assembly – introduction to the options process to all Year 9 students. Personal Development sessions will be focused on careers and options.
5 th February 2026	Careers Fair – students will have the opportunity to meet universities, colleges, apprenticeship training providers and employers.
9 th – 12 th February 2026	Subject Assemblies – Departments will present about the subjects they offer to help students select four subjects for their Options Taster Afternoon (not their final options at this stage).
13 th February 2026	Students will choose four subjects for the Options Taster Afternoon (these are not their final option choices at this stage). It is an opportunity to experience subjects they are considering.
26 th February 2026	Year 9 Parents Evening – opportunity to speak to all subject staff to discuss your son/daughter's progress.
12 th March 2026	Options Taster Afternoon – students will attend lessons based on their choices.
12 th March 2026	Options Evening 5.45 pm – 8 pm. A presentation about the Options process in the Theatre to all parent/carers and students. There will also be the opportunity to attend presentations about each option subject where the GCSE/Key Stage 4 curriculum will be explained in more detail.
20 th March 2026	Year 9 Option Choices Deadline. More details to follow.
June 2026	Letters to parents confirming Option Choices.

I look forward to working with you throughout this process, in the meantime if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me via email at options@coxgreen.com.

Yours sincerely

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