

19th June 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Design & Technology Options in Year 9 (For current Year 8)

In preparation for students choosing their GCSE options in March 2019, the Design & Technology department are offering your daughter the opportunity to study two out of the four material areas that will be available at GCSE, in Year 9. We aim to give your daughter the opportunity to gain a more in-depth knowledge in the two chosen areas and to build up their skills in the material areas they are more likely to choose for their KS4 option. However this will not preclude them from choosing any of the material areas for study at GCSE in Year 10.

Your daughter attended an assembly on Tuesday 19/6/18 outlining the Year 9 choices that will be offered in Design & Technology. The four material areas are outlined below and more detail is included in the attached presentation. One material area will be taken from September to February half-term and the second material area from after half-term until the end of the school year.

The four material areas are **Product Design, Food & Nutrition, Fashion & Textiles and Graphic Products**. Please talk to your daughter about her preferences, rank the material areas and we will do our best to allocate her the two areas she wishes to study.

This link below takes you to a survey monkey, please click on the link and indicate your preferences. The deadline is 27th June 2018

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TechChoices2018>

Please complete the survey monkey by Wednesday 27th June 2018.

Yours sincerely



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