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Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Year 9 Science

I am writing to inform you of the importance of your daughter's progress in science lessons this year.

We start teaching GCSE Science to year 9 after their last KS3 module (October 2017).

From Year 10, there are three routes available to students for their GCSE Science qualifications. We will decide which route is best suited to your daughter by reference to Year 9 test results throughout the coming year and her attitude to learning in her science lessons. The three available routes we offer at The Holt School are:

- 1. Triple science where the students are taught 3 separate sciences (Biology, Chemistry and Physics) and obtain **three** GCSEs
- 2. Combined science- where the students are taught 3 separate sciences (Biology, Chemistry and Physics) and obtain **two** GCSEs. This course does **not stop** students taking up any science to A level as long as they meet the requirements.
- 3. Single science- where the students obtain **one** science GCSE

The course we choose for your daughter will give her the best chance of high achievement in science, and at the end of year 9 we will send out a letter to inform you of our decision.

If there is any further information you require please contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mrs R Nayyar

Head of Science Faculty