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Dear Parent/Carer



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**Year 9 Virtual Options Advice Evening  
Thursday 20 January 2022**

I am writing to let you know that we have made the decision to hold this year's Year 9 Options Advice Evening virtually on Thursday 20 January 2022.

We will ensure that you and your child receive all the information needed to enable you to ask all the questions necessary to support you to make an informed decision.

At **3:00pm** on **Thursday 20 January 2022**, we will **Go Live** with our Virtual Options Event which will feature a number of subject videos, a video from Mr Heavyside, Head of Year 9, plus an Options presentation from Mr Cooley, Deputy Headteacher & Mr Wade, Headteacher.

Also, between **4:30pm until 6:30pm** on the evening, there will be **Video Appointments** to give you and your child a chance to speak to teachers of subjects they might like to study at GCSE but have questions about. There is no need to speak to every subject, just the subjects that your child is interested in. This is not a parents evening so teachers will not be set up to discuss student progress.

We invite you to book these video appointments. Times are arranged at 5-minute intervals and due to the nature of video appointments, staff and parents are asked to keep their conversation to 5 minutes as the call will start and finish automatically as per the schedule. We would ask you to be ready for each appointment, as if you join late, the time to talk to that teacher will be reduced. Our online appointment booking system allows you to choose your own appointment times with teachers of the subjects you are interested in. When you have booked your appointment times you will receive an automatic email confirmation of those appointments. **It is vital your child is at the appointment alongside you as this is their options advice evening and they need to be a curious and proactive participant throughout.**

The online booking system will be available from **4:00pm** on **Wednesday 12 January 2022** and will remain open until **12:00pm on the day of the event.**

To access the appointment booking system, please go to our website, and visit our Year 9 Options page under the Curriculum tab or you can visit <https://beckfoot.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. There will also be a short guide about joining the video appointments.

When booking and logging on for the event, you will require the following information:

- Your details; **Salutation, First Name, Surname and Email Address**
- **Student's First Name, Student's Surname and Student's Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)**

We recommend that you arrange your appointments as soon as possible once the system opens as the slots will get booked up quickly. If you do not have access to the internet, or encounter any difficulty with the above, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Wintersgill (PA to Headteacher & Leadership Team) at [becejw@beckfoot.org](mailto:becejw@beckfoot.org).

Yours sincerely

**Mr D Cooley**

Deputy Headteacher



**Headteacher:**

Simon Wade

**Chair of Academy Trustees:**

John Winkley

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