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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you regarding some important changes to our curriculum which will affect your child.

We have taken the decision to move to a three year Key Stage 3 (years 7-9), followed by a two year Key Stage 4 (years 10-11). This is a change from the current model where Key Stage 3 is only two years (years 7-8).

A three year Key Stage 3 will ensure that students experience a greater breadth and depth across a wide range of subjects. Together with our comprehensive careers information and guidance programme, it will also mean that students are fully informed when choosing which subjects to study at Key Stage 4.

Students currently in year 8 will therefore choose their options subjects in the spring of 2021. **The calendarised year 8 options evening on Thursday 12th March 2020 will now not take place.**

As part of our continuing drive for cultural capital, all students in Key Stage 3 will now also have a one hour lesson in Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) each week.

If you have any questions about these changes to our curriculum please do not hesitate to contact me on the telephone number above.

Yours sincerely,



Dr J Bartlett
Headteacher