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Dear Parent/ Carer

**GCSE Choices Evening, Thursday 6th March 2025
4:30-6:30 pm.**

Year 9 students will soon be asked to choose their GCSE options in preparation for their KS4 studies. Although this is a fantastic opportunity for students to take control of their future; we also realise that it can also be quite overwhelming. To help students, and parents/carers through this process we would like to invite you to the GCSE Choices Evening on Thursday 6th March 2025, between 4:30-6:30 pm.

We will run the evening as 2 sessions. The first session begins at 4:30pm, starting with a short 15-minute talk, followed up by some time to meet with subject teachers and ask questions about the content and skills required in each course. The second session begins at 5:30pm, with a repeat of the 4:30pm talk for those parents arriving later. There will be time following this talk to meet with subject teachers and speak to staff to gain an understanding of the content and skills required in each course.

During the evening, you will also be able to meet with our career's advisor, Belinda Ladds, from Beacon East Careers Guidance. If you have any questions about post 16 education or career pathways, Belinda will be on hand to offer advice. Please do take the opportunity to say hello and ask any questions you have regarding employment pathways/ post 16 choices.

Parents and carers can show their interest in attending the evening using the Parents Evening Booking System. **The booking system is open from 9am today (Wednesday 26th February, 2025). Please book in to ONE of the sessions.**

At TNHA, all students will study a core curriculum that includes GCSE English language, English literature, Mathematics, Spanish and Combined Science as well as recreational PE and PSHE/LOOL. Students choose 3 further subjects from the 'Choices list' and a reserve choice. Whilst we will make every effort to accommodate top three student choices, we may have to use reserve subjects. It is important that students choose reserve subjects that they would feel comfortable studying.

Choices forms will be available on the day for students to collect. We would encourage you to come along on the evening to see what options are available and speak to the subject staff.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at the academy or via email at Emily.Thomason@attrust.org.uk.

Yours faithfully

**Miss E Thomason
Vice Principal**