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Option Subjects

We offer a wide range of GCSE and vocational BTEC courses at Key Stage 4. In Mountain Ash Comprehensive School pupils will choose three option subjects, and they will study each subject for 4 hours a fortnight in Year 9 and 5 hours per fortnight in Years 10 and 11.

The option subjects are distributed across 3 option columns (see options form). These have been carefully created following analysis of the 'free choices' recently submitted by Year 8 pupils. Each pupil is expected to choose one subject from each column. Whilst we will try to accommodate your child's chosen subjects, I cannot guarantee that they all will be able to take their first choices.

It is vital that pupils make informed and considered decisions and that they fully understand the requirements of the courses on offer. These are important decisions to make so please ensure that you attend the webinar if you can and read the options booklet very thoroughly before discussing your child's choices with them.

When you and your child have considered the options available, he/she will select **THREE** option choices using an **online version of the options form** that will be made live following the webinar next Tuesday. This online form will need to be completed by **Friday 30th April 2021**. Please be aware that numbers are restricted for some courses so I would encourage you to complete the form as soon as possible after Tuesday 20th April to guarantee a place on these courses.

If you have any further queries regarding your child's options please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Grashoff (grashoffj@hwbcymru.net), Miss Gait (GaitC1@hwbmail.net) or myself (MeadD4@hwbmail.net) at the school (01443 479199).

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Yours faithfully

Mr D Mead
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Head of Lower School

