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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 8 into 9 Subject Choices

At CCHS during the summer term, students in Year 8 have the option to select some of the subjects they would prefer to focus on for Year 9. It is important to note that this is not the GCSE Key Stage 4 options process, which will happen in the spring of Year 9.

Year 8 students make two choices regarding their education for Year 9:

1. Students choose two subjects out of Art, Drama and Music.
2. Students choose between PE or Dance.

Students will make selections at school by completing a Google form sent to their school email account. Once completed, they will receive a further email containing a link "edit response" from here changes can be made with you at home. The deadline for changes will be Friday, 30th May. We encourage discussions at home before making the final decisions (editing the form via "edit response"). Please note that students must be logged into their school Google account to access the form / email. Whilst we are allowing students the opportunity to choose, we may not be able to cater for all subject choices.

To support students making choices, below are some do's and don'ts:

Do:	Don't
Choose subjects that you enjoy. If you enjoy the subject, you will put more time and effort into it. The more time and effort you put in, the more successful you will be.	Don't just go on your experience of years 7 & 8; look at what each subject has to offer in years 10 and 11. It may be different.
Choose subjects that you are good at. You will want as many high grades as possible	Choose a subject because of a teacher. Teachers change.
If you have a definite career in mind, choose subjects that will best support any career aspirations that you may have.	Don't choose a subject because your friends have. Think about what you may want or need for your future.
Listen to any advice given.	

Broader Curriculum choices for Year 9 will be on a separate Google form to be sent in June. Broader Curriculum lessons occur once a week and aim to give students a wide range of experiences from topics such as the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme, Cookery, and raising money for charity.

If you and your child have any questions, please do not hesitate to email them to me via admin@cchs.school

Yours faithfully

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