

6 February 2023

Dear Parents or Carers,

We would like to invite you to two important events in the next few weeks. We very much hope you are able to attend with your son or daughter.

Firstly, our <u>Year 9 Options Evening</u>, which will take place in the school on: **Thursday 23 February 2023**, between 4-6pm. There will be a presentation by Mr Nicholson, our Head of School in the main hall at 4.15 and it will be repeated at 5.15pm. Parents and students are encouraged to attend one of the presentations. There will be an opportunity to talk to senior staff and to have discussions with individual teachers in their subject areas. We are sure it will be an informative evening and you will find answers to many of the questions you have.

Our Year 9 Options Booklet will be shared with you before half-term to allow you and your son or daughter to have time to look through it carefully before the 23 February. There will also be guidance sessions in school over the next few weeks to support our students make the right choices for them as individuals. The final date for submission of choices for next September's courses is Tuesday 14 March 2023 and the form for replying will be made available well in advance of that date.

Secondly, our Year 9 Parents' Evening will take place in the main school hall on: **Tuesday 7 March 2023**, between 4-6.30pm. We would ask parents to be mindful that individual conversations with staff should be limited to five minutes wherever possible, please. The primary purpose of the evening is to discuss your child's academic progress and attitude to learning with their subject teachers, as well as for you to share any concerns you may have about their progress or well-being at Eskdale. Staff will be able to give guidance on the suitability of courses for your son or daughter too.

We would also like take this opportunity to remind you that all parents and carers are welcome to contact school on 01947 602856 or via email: <a href="mailto:post@eskdale-school.co.uk">post@eskdale-school.co.uk</a> at any time and there will be a response. As a school, we place considerable value on our communication and cooperation with parents/carers and our school is always open to you.

Please confirm your attendance at the Year 9 Parents' Evening by <u>clicking here</u>. You do not need to confirm your attendance at the Year 9 Options Evening, please just come to the evening and sign-in on the night.

With best wishes,

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