

20th February 2017

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

**GCSE Options 2017 - Year 8 Options Evening
 Thursday 16th March 2017**

At Carshalton High School for Girls we are committed to working together to ensure that your daughter's GCSE choices are appropriate and the process of choosing them is as informed and stress free as possible. We have provided a number of curriculum pathways which will ensure that the option choices your daughter makes maximises her potential.

I would like to invite you to attend the Year 8 Options Evening to be held on **Thursday 16th March 2017 from 6pm – 8pm**. Mrs Jones and I will explain the process in full at the beginning of the evening. There will also be subject displays around the school where you and your daughter can talk to subject staff about the different courses available. A great deal of information is given on the evening and it is very important that you attend so you are familiar with the choices that your daughter will make.

The CHSG Careers Fair 2017 will also be held on **Thursday 16th March from 6pm**. We are very pleased that a number of people from a broad spectrum of careers, including, a midwife, an accountant, doctor and hairdresser, to name but a few, will be present to promote and explain their career paths. We also have other organisations attending and are inviting parents, carers and students from **Years 8 - 13** to come along and meet with these professionals in order to gain an insight into their profession and what pathways they took to get there. Attending this Careers Evening may help students to make informed University choices and/or inspire them towards a future career.

The week before these events students will be issued with their own Options Booklet. This outlines the choices available and information on how to make these choices. To personalise the offer each student is placed on a curriculum pathway that reflects their ability. More information on this will be given to the students prior to the evening and on the evening itself.

If you would like to discuss your daughter's choices with a member of the senior leadership team please email Mr Rahman at nrahman1@suttonmail.org.

Below is a timeline of key events.

Date	Event
w/c 20 th February	Assembly with Year 8 (to introduce the options process)
w/c 6 th March	Personalised Option Booklets given to students
16 th March	Options Evening 6pm - 8pm
24 th March	Deadline for completion of options form
April 2017	Letters sent out confirming choices

This is a very important time in your daughter's education therefore it is very important that key information is understood and deadlines are met. If you have any concerns please speak to your daughter's form tutor in the first instance.

I look forward to meeting you on the 16th March.

Yours sincerely



Mr L Conduit-Smith
 Deputy Headteacher

