

14<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

**GCSE Options 2019 - Year 8 Options Evening -Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019**

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 broad range of subjects 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 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019** from **6.30 pm – 8.30 pm**. 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 week before the evening students will be issued with their own Options Booklet. This outlines the choices available and information on how to make these choices. After the Options Evening we will be inviting all Year 8 parents and students to attend an individual meeting with a member of the senior leadership team or the Year 8 pastoral team. These meetings will take place w/c 25<sup>th</sup> March and you will be able to book a slot via the parents' evening portal (further details will be provided at that time). During this meeting we will be able to give individual guidance to your daughter about her GCSE choices.

Below is a timeline of key events.

Date	Event
w/c 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Assembly with Year 8 (to introduce the options process)
w/c 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Personalised Option Booklets given to students
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Options Evening 6.30 pm – 8. 30 pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Deadline for completion of options form
w/c 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	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.

**CHSG Careers Fair**

The CHSG Careers Fair 2019 will also be held on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March from 6.30 pm**. We are very pleased that a number of people from a broad spectrum of careers will be present to promote and explain their career paths together with a number of agencies who can advise on career opportunities. We 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, which in turn may influence the GCSE courses they choose.



I look forward to meeting you on the 21<sup>st</sup> March.

Yours sincerely

**Mr L Conduit-Smith**  
**Deputy Headteacher**

