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Dear Parents and Carers of current Year 8 students

Year 9 Curriculum 2023/24

Each year we update our curriculum based on our own reviews, your feedback during options process and updates to DfE national guidance.

In 2023/24, Year 9 students will follow the same broad and balanced curriculum model they do currently in Year 8; we will not be asking students to choose 'Creative Options' for Year 9. This ensures that we meet updated DfE national guidance, but also that all students continue with all subjects until after they have made their Key Stage 4 (Year 10-11) options choices. Curriculum Leaders and teachers are working during this summer term to make adaptations to the Key Stage 3 (Years 7 to 9) curriculum in each subject.

Some opportunities that were available in the additional creative option lessons will now be provided in core lessons (for example, sports leaders in Core PE) and others via our much-improved co-curricular offer.

<https://www.queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk/learning/clubs-and-co-curricular/>

If you have any questions about these, please do contact me on the email address below. You may also wish to take a look at the webpage produced for our current Year 9 students to help them make their choices:

<https://www.queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk/year-9-options-2023/>

Yours faithfully

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