



# Castle Donington College

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O1 JS/LD/ KS4 Curriculum 2021-23

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## **The Key Stage 4 Curriculum 2021-23**

We are delighted to share with you the Key Stage 4 Curriculum Offer for 2021-23. The booklet sets out the courses your child will follow throughout Year 10 and 11, along with the wide range of option subjects they can select.

We know how important it is to be able to make informed decisions, have time to process a lot of information and consider all of the options available. Year 9 students have already started to prepare for their option choices this term and Mr Blood, Head of Year 9, and his Tutor Team are on hand to guide them through the process.

Unfortunately, due to the national lockdown we are unable to hold a live events in College. As an alternative, we have put the following programme in place.

- A set of subject videos for you and your child to watch. These short videos aim to give further insight into the option subjects
- A short presentation by Mr Blood explaining the options process and the timeline we are following
- Live sessions where you can listen to/ ask questions.
- The Options Booklet, which sets out the details of the course specification and assessment for each subject
- A series of sessions with subject specialists to discuss or learn more about a particular subject
- Individual / small group tutorials with either Mr Blood or the Form Tutor

We encourage all pupils in Year 9 to engage fully with this programme to ensure they are informed about and prepared for the next stage of their education. Choosing which subjects to take is an important task and we urge you to take your time with this process, think carefully and ask questions. We hope that you and your child has everything they need to make informed decisions. We are on hand to help and will support you as much or as little as you need.

We will be issuing the Options Form by email next week, with completion date set as 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

This is an exciting time for our Year 9 pupils and we look forward to working with them over the next few weeks to ensure they are confident and happy as they plan for their future at Castle Donington College.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Blood  
Head of Year 9