



5th February 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

On Friday 2nd February, your son/daughter was given the initial options response form to fill in. During this time a presentation was also given taking them through the sheet and other issues pertinent to choosing their GCSE's.

At this time all I am asking for a ranking to take place; this will allow me to refine for the next phase were possible option blocks will then begin to appear.

You will see that there are two sections to the sheet, with the bottom BALC section separate. We, as a school are part of the Banbridge Area Learning Community and as such offer a number of courses for Year 11 pupils period 1 – 6 on a Thursday. This offer is largely made up of BTEC qualifications and is unlikely to change. If there are changes, I will, of course, inform the current Year 10.

A copy of the pupil presentation from Friday 2nd will be sent via both the ParentApp and email to all Year 10 parents for your consideration. A copy will also be placed on the school website, where you will also find the Year 10 Options booklet and subject information videos.

Can I ask that the form received by your son/daughter is returned to either Mrs Martin or myself by Friday 9th. This will allow me over half term to gauge interest and perhaps begin to “build” option blocks.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Robison
Vice Principal