

03 March 2022

Dear Parent/ Carer

Year 9 Preference Process

We are now making plans for the curriculum your son/ daughter will follow starting September 2022 and the time has come to consider which Key Stage 4 courses are most appropriate for your child as they move into Year 10. This is an important time, and we want to ensure that you and your child are as informed as possible.

At The Hamble School, we are determined to offer each and every student a curriculum that suits their individual needs, while complying with national recommendations and guidelines. In summary, your child will continue with their studies in English, Maths, Science, Core PE and PSHCRE. This time last year, your child also chose 6 subjects to study in Year 9. Moving into Year 10, your child will carry 4 of these on to GCSE/BTEC level.

We will be launching a preference webpage on Thursday 10th March to ensure that you and your son/ daughter receive all the information required to make informed decisions which will include all the details of the curriculum model, preference process and information from each subject about the courses on offer.

On **Thursday 17th March from 18:30 to 19:00**, we will be running a preferences live Q & A session where you will be able to ask any further questions you may have after exploring the preferences webpage. A link to sign up to this event will be sent home closer to the date.

We have outlined the Preference Process below:

Date	Activity	Aim
W/b 7th March	Year 9 Preferences Assembly.	To inform students about the Preferences Process and about making choices.
10th March	Launch of the Preference webpage	To provide students and parents/ carers with detailed information about different subject courses.
17th March	Preference Q and A session	To enable students and parents/carers to ask questions about the Year 10 curriculum and the preference process.
18th March	Preference Form to be emailed out	To complete detailing subject ranking.
1st April	Preference Form Deadline	Forms must be completed by this date.
June/July	Confirmation of student subject choices	A letter will be sent home to confirm allocation of subject choices.

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We hope this letter has been helpful in clarifying the Preferences process.

We look forward to working with you to ensure your child achieves their maximum potential and enjoys their studies.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Morgan', written in a cursive style.

Mrs J Morgan

Assistant Headteacher

If, at any time, you should require special arrangements to be made when visiting the school and/or in order to participate fully in supporting your child at school (e.g. an accessible venue for meetings, if you are a wheelchair user, assistance with translation of documents or enlarged copies of communications etc.), please do not hesitate to let us know.