

23rd January 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Options Evening – Tuesday 5th February 2019

Students at The Garibaldi School begin their GCSE level courses in Year 9 and study over a three year period. To facilitate this, we will be holding our Year 8 Options Evening on Tuesday 5th February 2019. Please find enclosed the options booklet, which provides information on all option courses available to study at Key Stage 4. Please use this booklet with your child to help choose the option subjects they may wish to study from September 2019. Please note specifications are subject to change.

I hope that you will find this booklet informative. It may be useful to bring it to the **Options Evening on Tuesday 5th February** as spare copies will not be available. The evening will provide you with the opportunity to obtain more detailed subject information, meet the teachers and ask any questions. There will be a short presentation in the hall at the start of the session outlining the process. Your child will have already been briefed on how the options process will work. Also enclosed is an Options Choices Form to be completed and returned to your child's mentor by **Friday 15th March 2019**. Any student who doesn't return a completed form by this deadline may have options allocated to them.

Attendance at this event is expected to be high therefore two sessions will be available:

- Session 1: 5:30pm 6:45pm
- Session 2: 6:45pm 8:00pm

Please indicate, on the attached form, which session you will be attending. Alternatively you can email the school at gcadmin@garibaldi.notts.sch.uk or call 01623 464220.

Please note there will **not** be an opportunity for you to discuss your child's academic performance with individual teachers at the options event; a parents' evening will be held on Monday 11th March 2019 for this purpose. This gives a further opportunity to ask any final questions relating to the options process or course suitability before the deadline date arrives for handing in options forms. Further correspondence will be sent with details of the parents' evening in the near future.

I look forward to seeing you on **Tuesday 5th February 2019**. However, if you are unable to attend and would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

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