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## **HEADTEACHER HEADLINES FEBRUARY 2020**

### **YEAR 8 OPTIONS FOR THE START OF YEAR 9 SEPTEMBER 2020**

We are re-modelling our option process for the current Year 8 ready for starting Year 9 in September 2020.

Year 8 students will make 5 selections for the start of September 2020 until March 2021. This will include Geography, History and a continuation of their current language (French, Spanish or Mandarin). For the final term of Year 9 students will refine the 5 choices into 3 final choices to start their GCSE courses from. Year 8 parents have had a full evening and reading material on this change.

### **HOMEWORK**

Just to remind all parents that homework is shown on ClassCharts. Staff will indicate via ClassCharts if homework is not completed. We would really appreciate parents taking an active monitoring role in this process and ensuring homework is completed and if there are difficulties, that a genuine attempt has been made.

### **HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2020/2021**

<i>Staff Training</i>	<i>Tuesday 1 September 2020</i>
Autumn Term begins	Wednesday 2 September 2020
<i>Staff Training</i>	<i>Monday 28 September 2020</i>
<i>Staff Training</i>	<i>Thursday 22 October &amp; Friday 23 October 2020</i>
Autumn Half Term holiday	Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October 2020
Christmas holiday	Monday 21 December 2020 to Monday 4 January 2021
<i>Staff Training</i>	<i>Friday 29 January 2021</i>
Spring Half Term holiday	Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February 2021
Easter holiday	Thursday 1 April to Friday 16 April 2021
May Day	Monday 3 May 2021
Summer Half Term holiday	Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June 2021
Summer	Last day is Friday 23 July 2021

**School is closed to pupils on Staff Training days**

### **YOUR VOICE SURVEY (FORMERLY FORETEL)**

Many thanks to the parents/carers who completed the annual Trust survey. Your feedback is always valued. I will update you with a summary once I receive the results.