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Dear Parents / Carers of Year 8 students,

YEAR 9 CURRICULUM 2024

I am writing to inform you about your child's Year 9 Curriculum choices. At Rooks Heath we teach a broad and ambitious Key Stage 3 Curriculum in line with the National Curriculum. This allows students the opportunity to continue developing their skills and knowledge in a range of subjects without narrowing their choices too early.

The Year 9 Curriculum will be as follows:

The Core Subjects					Humanity		Creative				Digital	One Language
English	Maths	Science	RS	PSE	History	Geography	Art	DT or Food	Drama	Music	Computing	Latin French German Chinese

Students will study all subjects above, but will make two choices, choosing one language from the languages they are currently studying, and also choosing between DT and Food. If students have studied Chinese in Year 7 and Year 8 on the Mandarin Excellence Programme, they will continue to do so next year. The Options form for these two choices is now open on SatchelOne, and students should fill this form in by Monday morning at the latest. Please discuss your child's choices with them.

Students will have the opportunity in the Spring term of Year 9 (next year) to make choices for their GCSE options in Year 10. This will allow students to choose subjects they want to take forward to GCSE including subjects such as Sociology GCSE, Business GCSE, Health and Social Care BTEC and Media GCSE, which students will not have studied before.

Students will not be taught in tutor groups in Year 9, but will be taught in mixed groups which will be different across different subjects to broaden their social groups.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school by phone or emailing contactus@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely



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