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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 9 students,

## Curriculum Information

All Year 9 parents/carers are invited to click the following link to access a short presentation recorded by Assistant Headteacher, Mr Omar: <https://youtu.be/DUgnXWsjppM>

The presentation explains the 'STOP & SWAP' process that Year 9 will shortly undertake:

- choosing to **STOP** the study of one of their curriculum subjects (this choice is from a predetermined selection of subjects and NOT a free choice).
- and considering the opportunity to **SWAP** one of their current personalised choice subjects to begin a two-year course in Year 10.

The presentation includes the deadlines for completing the SIMS Online options form with the subject choices that your child will be asked to make.

The 'STOP & SWAP' presentation has been shown to students during their form time, but it is suggested that parents/carers and students may wish to watch together, in order to support the decision making process at home.

## Subject Presentations for History & Geography courses running in Year 10 and Year 11

In Years 10 and 11, all students are required to study:

- **EITHER** History
- **OR** Geography
- **OR** can take **BOTH** History **AND** Geography up to GCSE level.

If your child is considering stopping the study of either History or Geography, then please access the presentations below to help them make this decision.

Subject	Link to presentation
History	<a href="https://youtu.be/lzmmeQbS3cU">https://youtu.be/lzmmeQbS3cU</a>
Geography	<a href="https://youtu.be/hehER6Z8O6A">https://youtu.be/hehER6Z8O6A</a>

## Subject Presentations for two-year courses running in Year 10 and Year 11

Year 9 students may choose to SWAP one of their current three-year personalised courses in order to join a new two-year course in Year 10 and 11.

NOTE: students do not have to SWAP any of their personalised subjects if they do not wish to.

Please access the presentations in the two-year exam course subjects that we offer for study in Year 10 and 11 below. The presentations include details about what the subject involves and how it is assessed.

If you have any further questions about the subjects that your child wishes to study that have not been answered in the Year 9-11 Curriculum Booklet 2021-2024 which can be found on the website <https://www.georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk/curriculum-overview/> or in the subject presentations, we would suggest you contact the Head of Department directly using the email address published on the last page of the booklet.

For any other questions please email [curriculum@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:curriculum@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk)

Subject	Link to presentation
Business	<a href="https://youtu.be/KNpQJTzt7bQ">https://youtu.be/KNpQJTzt7bQ</a>
Children's Play, Learning and Development	<a href="https://youtu.be/Zd2L9XBpeXc">https://youtu.be/Zd2L9XBpeXc</a>
Construction	<a href="https://youtu.be/27IfmbJkc7U">https://youtu.be/27IfmbJkc7U</a>
Hair and Beauty	<a href="https://youtu.be/Q0z7jGkLvMQ">https://youtu.be/Q0z7jGkLvMQ</a>
Media Studies	<a href="https://youtu.be/NQ3wRO3o7Fk">https://youtu.be/NQ3wRO3o7Fk</a>
Physical Education (this is the same presentation as the Cambridge National – Sports Studies presentation)	<a href="https://youtu.be/79xh49DirK4">https://youtu.be/79xh49DirK4</a>
Sociology	<a href="https://youtu.be/fnRQvz0UUFc">https://youtu.be/fnRQvz0UUFc</a>
Cambridge National – Sports Studies (this is the same presentation as the PE presentation)	<a href="https://youtu.be/79xh49DirK4">https://youtu.be/79xh49DirK4</a>

### Subject Presentations for DT and ICT courses running in Year 10 and Year 11

If Year 9 students want to continue studying **DT**, they will be asked by their DT teacher to specialise in Year 10, making a choice between **TWO** options:

- a) DT Engineering
- b) DT Product Design

If Year 9 students want to continue studying **ICT**, they will be asked by their ICT teacher to specialise in Year 10, making a choice between **TWO** options:

- c) Digital Information Technology
- d) Computer Science – NOTE that this subject requires confidence in Maths, so think carefully before choosing

NOTE: Students cannot SWAP into DT or ICT at the end of Year 9.

If your child takes either DT or ICT, then please access the presentations below to help them make this decision.

Subject	Link to presentation
DT	<a href="https://youtu.be/O91dfp3jn4g">https://youtu.be/O91dfp3jn4g</a>
Computer Science	<a href="https://youtu.be/mgnar4wx7LE">https://youtu.be/mgnar4wx7LE</a>
Digital Information Technology	<a href="https://youtu.be/b_HKOadfFbs">https://youtu.be/b_HKOadfFbs</a>

Kind regards,

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