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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Mini Options

We are planning to introduce a mini-options choice for students from Year 8 as they move into Year 9. The only subjects involved will be Art, Design & Technology, Computer Science & Media Studies, Food and Drama, and we will be asking students to choose two from these five subject areas.

Students will continue to study the subjects they currently study in Year 8, however, instead of studying all five subjects listed above they will study the chosen two and have longer each week to do so. Please note that all students will study Core IT whether they have chosen Computer Science & Media Studies or not.

We believe that this will have a number of advantages for students, not least the opportunity to study their favoured subjects for more time through Year 9. In this way, we hope to better prepare them for the GCSE courses chosen at the end of Year 9.

We have put together a short video to outline the key information on each subject and this is available to see by following the link given in the email accompanying this letter. Teachers also went into assemblies on Thursday 8th February to detail their subjects.

Students have been given a mini-options form today to complete and this will need to be completed, signed and handed in to tutors on Monday 12th February 2018.

If you have any immediate questions, please do not hesitate to contact school.

Mr B Fischer
Assistant Headteacher

