



Our Ref: DCA/SWD

21 January 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Options and Subject Parents' and Carers' Evening – Thursday 12 February 2026

The Year 9 options evening is a significant event in the progression of your child through their secondary education; it allows your child to explore the range of subjects on offer to support their future aspirations. As this is a key transition point, we would like to provide you and your child with the best opportunity to gain insights into what options are available, along with details of your child's progress in core subjects. We are therefore organising an in-person parents' and carers' evening.

The in-person event will involve a presentation explaining the options process and the timeline for submitting option choices, and the opportunity for you and your child to explore option subjects. You will also be able to attend parents' evening appointments with your child's **English, Mathematics and Science** teachers. Some students who receive support from our SEND department may also have the option to book an appointment with either our SENDCO or one of the Assistant SENDCOs. All appointments will be booked via SchoolCloud.

Due to the large number of students and parents attending the evening, it will be split into two sessions. You have been grouped in session 1 (students with a surname beginning A – L), which has an arrival time of 3.45pm, with a presentation in the main hall at 3.50pm. The presentation will explain in further detail the options process and the timeline for students and options selection. A schedule for the evening can be found below:

Event (Students A – L)	Location	Time
Options presentation	Main hall	3.50 to 4.10pm
Options market place	Sport Hall	4.15 to 5.30pm
Parents' evening appointments	Gymnasium	

To book appointments:

Appointments will be booked via SchoolCloud. Please visit SchoolCloud - Lord Lawson of Beamish Academy to book your appointments. If you have forgotten your login details, please email: lordlawson@lordlawson.academy, quoting your child's full name and tutor group, and we will forward them to you.

Appointments can be made from 12 noon Monday 2 February 2026 and booking will close at 12 noon on Thursday 12 February 2026. Should you wish to make any changes after this date please contact Mrs Wakefield using the above email address.

You will need to log in with the following information:

Your name; your email address; Student's First Name; Student's Surname; Student's Date of Birth

If you do not have access to the internet in order to book your appointments, please contact Mrs Wakefield.

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Timing:

Appointments will be held in 5-minute slots from 4.15 up until 5.30pm. If you need more time or if you are unable to make an appointment due to limited availability, you can contact the subject teacher directly to make an alternative appointment.

Shared Parent Responsibility:

We hold a list of parents with shared responsibility for some of our students. These parents will also receive this letter, so that they have the same opportunity to book an appointment.

ours faithfully



Mr D Cave
Assistant Principal

Mrs S Wakefield
PA to SLT
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NB**Data and GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation):**

The GDPR has regulations on how organisations manage personal data.

In order to setup the evening, School Cloud require us to share your email address and student name and date of birth. We have ensured that there is Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) in place. If you have any issues with this, please inform us.