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Dear Parents/Carers of [StudentFullName]

GCSE Options Information Evening

As [StudentForename] begins to prepare for the next important stage in [his/her] education, it gives us great pleasure to invite you to our **Options Information Evening**, taking place on **Thursday 15 January 2026**.

This is a face-to-face event and to ensure everyone has opportunity to get the most from the evening, the evening will be split into three sessions. Places are limited and we ask that each Year 9 child comes with a maximum of two other family members.

To select your session you simply need to:

1. Pre-register for the event using the following form: **Options Information Event 2026: Registration Form.** **The form closes at 20:00 on Wednesday 7 January 2026.**
2. Select your preferred session:

Session 1: 16:50 to 18:00

Session 2: 17:50 to 19:00

Session 3: 18:50 to 20:00

You will be asked to select your preferred session, as well as your second choice. Section allocation will take place on a first-come-first-served basis, and once all the places are full, we will allocate people to their second preferred session.

On the evening we ask that you arrive no earlier than 10 minutes before your session. There will be a short welcome presentation which will provide a brief overview of the Options process, the key information our students should consider when choosing their subjects, and suggestions about how you can support your child at home. You will then be given time to speak to subject-specialist staff who will be on hand to offer advice about the specific areas of subjects available for our students from September 2026.

When we contact you to confirm the session you are registered to, we will provide more details about how the event will work, including a floor plan so you can plan your evening in advance.

An important part of the Options process is the **Year 9 Parents' and Students' Evening** which is scheduled to take place on **Thursday 29 January** from 16:00 to 19:00. Following parental feedback this parents evening will be a face to face evening in school. We will also have members of our amazing Options team on hand for any further questions or guidance.

We look forward to meeting you on the evening, but should you have any questions in the interim, please don't hesitate to contact us by email in the first instance to our dedicated Options email address: options@penistone-gs.uk.



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Yours sincerely

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