

Year 9 Welcome Evening

Key Contacts:

To make contact, please email the office with the name of the member of staff you would like your email to be directed to. In the first instance, please contact the form tutor. If the question relates to a specific subject, please direct this to the class teacher.

The office email address is office@holcombegrammar.org.uk

Form Tutors:

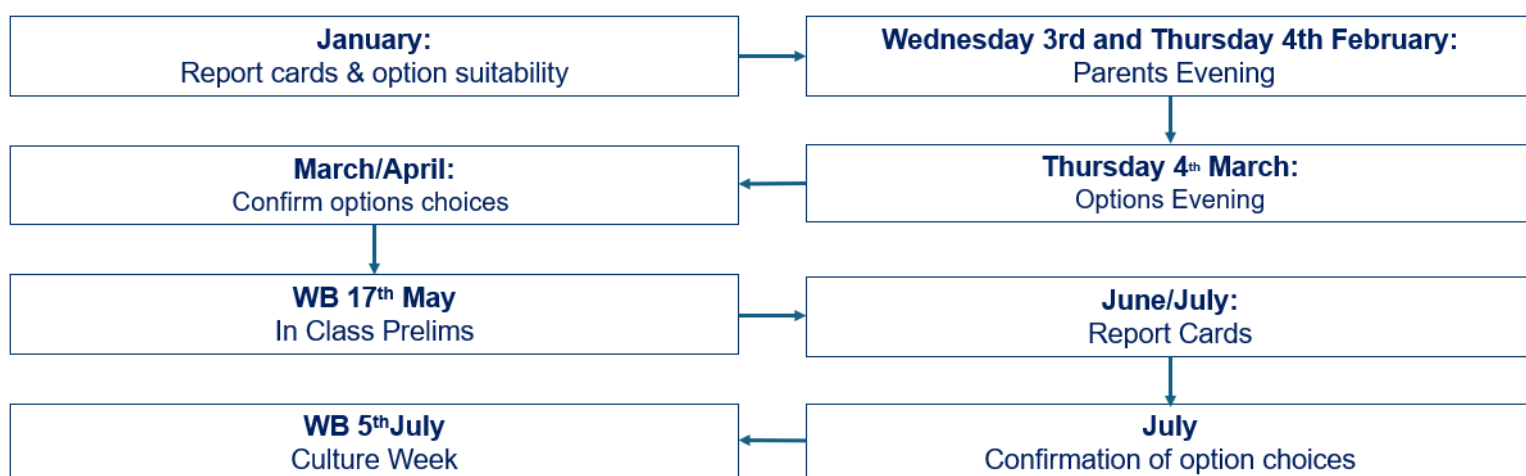
- Ardent: Mr Cole
- Barfleur: Miss Turpin
- Conquest: Mr Phillips
- Guardian: Mr Menon
- Shannon: Miss Laming

Head of Year 9: Miss Jhaj

Head of KS3 Outcomes: Mrs Morris

Timeline for Year 9:

This is an overview of the key dates for this academic year. All specific dates surrounding GCSE Options and selection will be confirmed closer to the time.



Preparing for GCSE Options:

To support students to prepare for GCSE Options, over the coming terms, we will be:

- Issuing students with recommendations for their suitability to different subjects
- Delivering assemblies to explain the options process
- Providing information on subjects they do not currently study
- Using form time activities to consider option pathways
- Accessing Unifrog – our online careers programme – to research potential career pathways
- **Options Evening – Thursday 4th March 2027**

Year 9 Revision Strategy Programme:

Over the course of the academic year, we will be following the programme below to support students in building positive revision strategies. This will be embedded through a mix of assembly and form time activities.

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Planning revision time and the importance of revision	Folding frenzy	Mind-maps	Cornell notes	Exam Week: Revision timetables	Reflection of revision methods used

The Haven: Supporting our students with SEN

- ‘FACE’ - Online support sessions covering a range of issues.
 - Support for parents, carers and students
 - Free access with school membership
 - Contact The Haven for promo code:
send@holcombegrammar.org.uk
- Look out also for our Holcombe Highlights for further information.
- Links to FAQs and info on school website: [SEND, Holcombe Grammar School Support and Guidance, Holcombe Grammar School](#)

 September Timetable All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long £24 each or FREE with School Membership Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk Recordings available for 48 hours	
Facing Defiance	1 Sep 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	1 Sep 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	7 Sep 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	7 Sep 7pm
Introduction to OCD	8 Sep 10am
Decreasing Depression	8 Sep 7pm
What is ACT?	14 Sep 10am
Improving Family Communication	14 Sep 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	15 Sep 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	15 Sep 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	21 Sep 10am
Understanding Anger	21 Sep 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	22 Sep 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	22 Sep 7pm
FREE - Masking Awareness	24 Sep 7-8pm
Anxiety Explained	28 Sep 10am
School Anxiety	28 Sep 7pm