



Shirley High School

Performing Arts College

"Striving for Excellence"

"In the long run, we shape our lives and we shape ourselves, the process never ends, and the choices we make are ultimately our own responsibility."



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Dear Parents / Carers and Students

However much the world has changed over the last year or so, some things will always stay the same. One of those is the importance and power of education.

We are delighted that despite the change that we are all going through at the moment, we can still carry out our normal and exciting process of academic options for your child. I am confident that the information you receive will help support you and your child through the process of choosing appropriate subjects and start a successful journey in the next stage of their educational development. Success in all we do comes from strong partnerships so please support your child through this process and be on hand to discuss their options and their future so the decisions they make now will help them later.

It is important that students choose options that make them happy, in order to provide the foundations for success. We do understand that there will be requests to change subjects as the reality of Year 10 unfolds, and this may be possible within the first few weeks of the academic year. **However, we cannot guarantee all changes.** To help reduce the need to change options we will be offering some taster events in specific subjects before the end of Year 9, further details will follow. We would ask that you take time now to consider the courses most suited to the skills, abilities, progress and feedback given by staff and contained within your latest school report.

Thank you for taking the time to support your child through this process, as a school we value your support and strongly believe that by working together we will enable your child to fulfil their potential and become a successful global citizen.

Yours sincerely

Mr Myton
Principal

"When your values are clear to you, making decisions becomes easier."

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