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Dear Parent/Carer

The process for students to select the courses they wish to study from September and for the remainder of their time at Trinity Academy Leeds launched – ‘Destination 2026’. We hope that you will support your child in deciding their choices and that you will encourage your child to utilise the guidance that we have put in place for them which includes:

- A morning recall session explaining the process and the importance of their choices.
- During TEAM time sessions students will explore the impact their choices could have on their future (linking to careers, further and higher education).
- Their subject teachers giving an overview of the courses available in their lesson time.
- An options booklet containing key information about each course.

It is important that your child considers what courses and career paths they may join in the future and research into which courses are a prerequisite for this. Please help to embed our message that your child should not choose courses based on their favourite teachers or follow the same choices as their friends as we tend to have multiple classes taught by a range of teachers for each subject.

Students will study:

- **English**
- **Mathematics**
- **Science**
- **Spanish***
- **Core Religious Studies**
- **Core Physical Education**

**If students currently study Spanish in year 9 they will continue into year 10. If students do not currently study Spanish they will not study this course at GCSE. This time will be used in other subjects during the week. Some students study of Spanish will be guided by the Academy. The academy might offer to select students an alternative route of study in place of Spanish. This route will be fully explained to students and parents when option subjects are confirmed later in the year.*

Students will then get to choose either **History** or **Geography**. *Based on experience with these two subjects the academy may guide some student’s choice. This is to ensure they are on the best course for success. This decision will be discussed in detail with students and parents when option subjects are confirmed later in the year.*

Additionally, students will also be able to choose a subject in both Option A and Option B. With this selection of subjects students will be on track to complete the EBacc, the government’s ideal pathway to enable students to keep their options open for further study and future careers.

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Students will be asked for three choices in each Option block, but we will strive to wherever possible give them their first choice. It is however paramount that choice two and three are carefully considered in case it is not possible for the first choice course to be allocated. Please see below a list of options your child will choose from.

OPTION A

Art craft and design
Business and enterprise
Drama
Health and Social Care
Hospitality and Catering (Food technology)
Computer Science
Music
Physical education
Digital Information Technology

OPTON B

Art -Three-dimensional design
Business and enterprise
Religious studies
Drama
Health and Social Care
Sport and Physical education
Computer Science
Dance

The options form will be available by the end of the week through MCAS and will be messaged out directly to you. We will not be operating a first come, first served system as we want students to make informed choices, but it is important that you meet the deadline of 4pm on Wednesday 27th March. In each block, each option may only be chosen once when selecting first, second and third choices. If the same subject is selected for all three choices in a block and it cannot be allocated, we will allocate your child the course they will study so it is vital for them that the form is completed correctly. We will let you know when this process is complete and the options have been allocated at the end of June. Link to options form: <https://forms.office.com/e/cMT8sYWgBH>

If you would like further guidance with supporting your child to select their options, please contact the school by email contactus@leeds.trinitymat.org. You can call the school on 0113 4831126.

Thank you for your anticipated support with helping your child make the best decisions for the next step in their academic journey.

Yours sincerely



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