



Tuesday 28th January 2025

Year 9 Options Evening and Year 9 Parent/Carer Subject Consultation Events

Thursday 6th February 2025 – 5pm/6pm/7pm
Thursday 13th February 2025 – 3.45 pm – 7.30 pm

Dear Parents and Carers

As you are aware the time is approaching for Year 9 pupils to make choices as to which subjects they wish to follow for Key Stage 4.

To support this process, we are running two events that I would like to invite you to. One of these is a Year 9 Options evening which will take place on **Thursday 6th February**, with the second event being the Year 9 parent/carers consultation afternoon which is on **Thursday 13th February**.

Year 9 Options evening, on Thursday 6th February

This will consist of a choice of three presentation slots at **5pm, 6pm or 7pm**. At this evening pupils and parents/carers will be given details of the Options process, the range of subjects on offer and advice on combinations of subjects to aid their future plans.

HOW TO BOOK TICKETS

Please book your appointments through the online system, you can do this by logging on to <https://woottonupperschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. This booking system is now live.

To log on you will need your own email address and the date of birth (there will be a drop-down menu available to select this from) of the pupil you are booking appointments for.

If you have any difficulties with the booking process, please contact Wootton Upper School reception between (8.30am–2.30pm) on 01234 767123 or via email hello@wootton.beds.sch.uk

Consultation event Thursday 13th February 3.45pm to 7.30pm

Consultation events play an important part in our partnership, and **we are keen that all parents/carers attend the event, ideally with their child**. This consultation event takes place after our Year 9 pupils have completed their most recent assessments and prior to them selecting subjects that they wish to follow into Year 10/11. Pupils and parents will be able to collect their grade sheets at this event.

You can book **five-minute** appointments with your child's teachers. Details of how to do this are outlined below. Where a group is shared between two teachers, we usually identify a "lead" teacher who will meet parents/carers of children in that class. This allows more parents/carers to have appointments overall. In each appointment, we would expect the conversation to focus on strategies to support pupils to make the greatest progress and to report on class work and homework completed to date. If you have some specific questions which will take longer than 5 minutes, please make sure you are liaising with your child's class teacher before the evening.

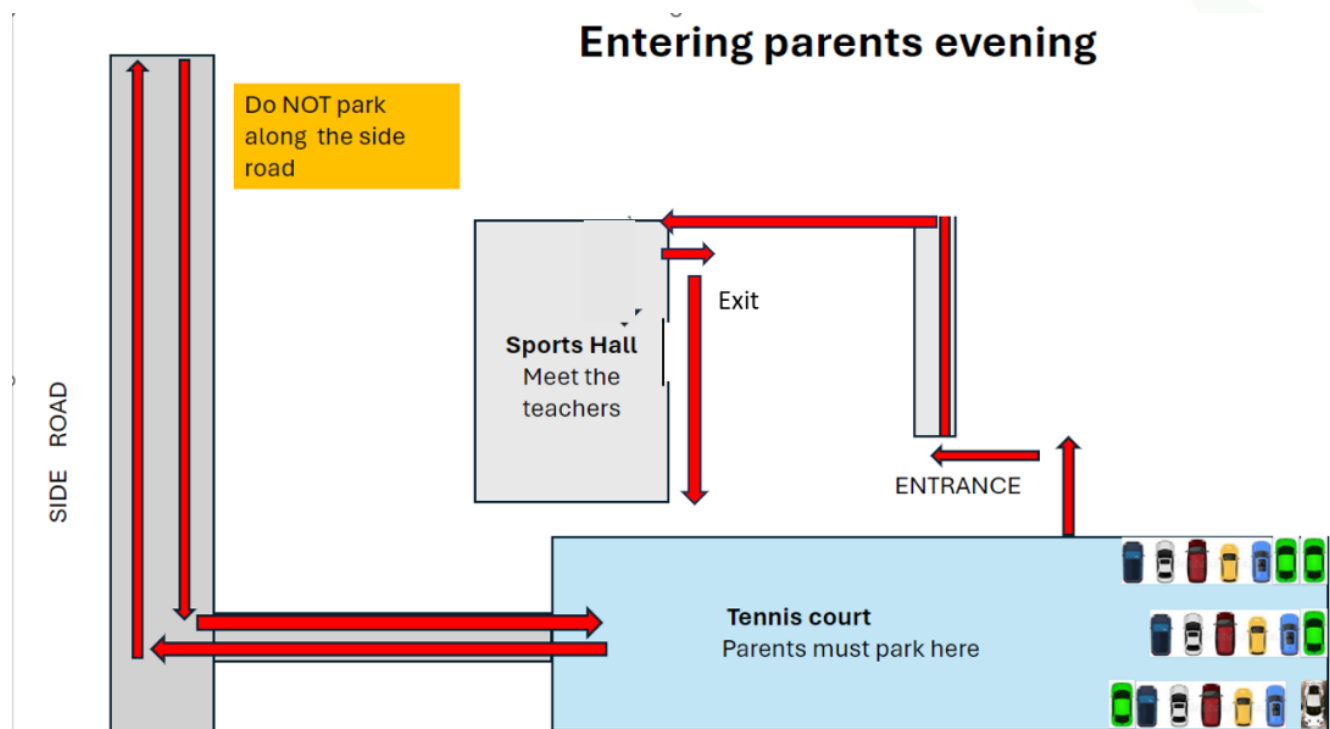


Teachers will stop the appointments after 5 minutes to ensure all appointments run on time. If more time is needed with the teacher, the teacher will make a note and follow up with you after the evening.

Senior staff, who do not teach Year 9, will be available for drop-in appointments, i.e. not bookable in advance, if there are other matters you would like to raise with them. We will also invite some of our governors to the event, so you are able to talk to them too.

If you are prevented from attending the event for any reason, please let us know. If there is anything we can do to help, we will do our best to do so. We understand that some parents/carers rely on public transport, and this can be problematic and that some parents/carers may have mobility challenges. We also recognise that some individuals may need the help of a translator. Please email year9pastoral@wootton.beds.sch.uk

Parking for the event will be at the back of the school on the tennis courts. Please drive down the side road to access the back of the school. Once you have parked make your way to the sports hall entrance where you will be greeted by a member of staff, signed in and given your child's grade sheet. See diagram below.





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HOW TO BOOK APPOINTMENTS

This booking system will be live at 10am on Monday 3rd February and closes at 3pm on Wednesday 12th February.

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If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the school in order that alternative arrangements can be made.

We are really looking forward to meeting you face-to-face at the event.

Yours sincerely

Miss Anna Burnham
Deputy Headteacher