



Year 8 - 9 Transition

Thursday 3rd July

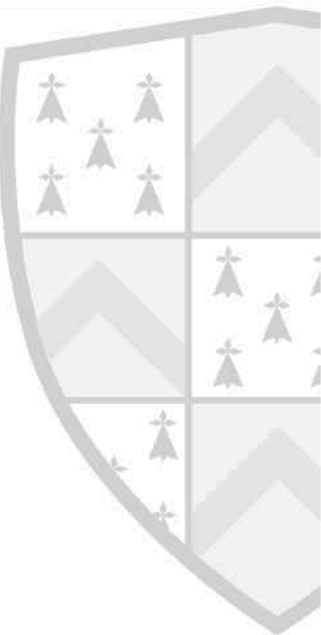
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Agenda

- ❑ Introduce myself
- ❑ Core values
- ❑ Outline any changes from year 8 to year 9
- ❑ Introduce the year 9 options process



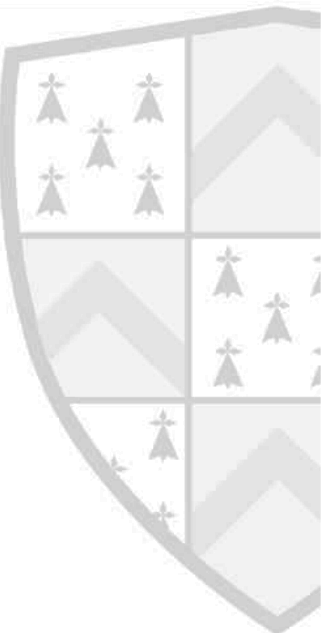
Introduction

- ❑ I am Mr Tizard. I have worked at King Edward VI School for 9 years, I have been an Achievement Leader for 3 years and my subject is PE.
- ❑ I have three core values that underpin everything I aspire to achieve each day. They are:
 - ❑ Dependable
 - ❑ Inspiring
 - ❑ Collaborative
- ❑ These values support and align with the school's core values:
 - ❑ Wellbeing (Belonging)
 - ❑ Collaboration
 - ❑ Aspiration



Monthly Positive Behaviour

- ☐ At the end of each month, as part of my behaviour analysis, I will highlight 10 students that achieved the most positive points in the year group.
- ☐ I ask form tutors to send a positive email home to parents and carers.
- ☐ Those 10 names go into a random draw and the winning name will receive an Amazon voucher.
- ☐ I like form tutors having the opportunity to share positive news with parents and carers and building a positive relationship.
- ☐ It is nice for the students to be rewarded for their hard work and efforts in school.



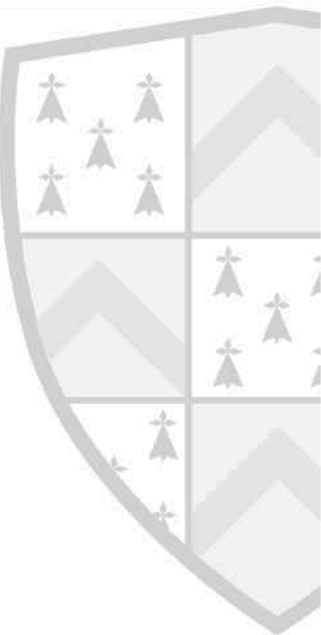
Year 9 Newsletter

- ☐ At the end of each term, I like to send out a newsletter specifically about the year group.
- ☐ The newsletter will generally include the following:
 - ☐ Achievement Leader update
 - ☐ School Council updates
 - ☐ Monthly behaviour awards
 - ☐ Sports results from extra-curricular fixtures
 - ☐ Music or Drama related extra-curricular celebrations
 - ☐ Personal achievements from students within the year group. Outside of school or inside of school.
 - ☐ Key dates for the term ahead.



Group Changes

- ❑ Students are mixed into different class groups moving from Y8 to Y9.
- ❑ Opportunity to make new friends and meet new people.
- ❑ Mr Whitehurst and Mr Shaw have been part of the process.



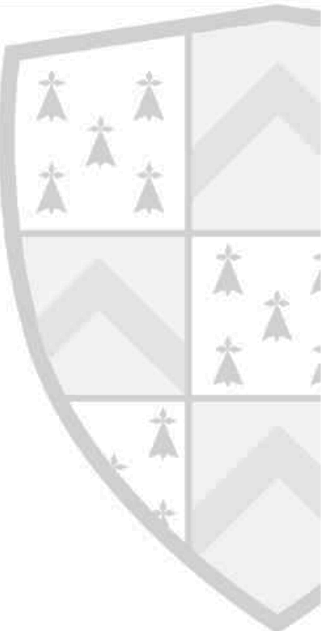
GCSE Option Choices

- ❑ Students selecting their GCSE options is a crucial part of year 9.
- ❑ Throughout the year, teaching staff will be drip feeding information to students regarding GCSEs in their given subjects. There will be a specific week where they do a taster session in lessons with students.
- ❑ Students will have a GCSE options assembly, which will talk them through the process of making their GCSE selections.
- ❑ You will be invited to a parent and carers information evening in January.
- ❑ Options deadline – first week of March 2026



Year 9 – An Important Year

- ❑ Many students tend to underestimate the importance of year 9.
- ❑ Year 9 is an important year in school because it lays the foundation for future subject choices and prepares students for the challenges of GCSEs.
- ❑ There will be some subject areas that start to introduce GCSE content as they move through the academic year.



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