



# Ark John Keats Academy

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020

## Re: Selection of GCSE option choices for Year 9

**Deadline – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm**

**How – Online form**

Dear parent,

Getting the options choices right for your child is incredibly important for us as a school. We have a range of high performing GCSE subjects that prepare your child incredibly well for whatever their next steps in education will be. We had planned to add Design and Technology as a GCSE subject for the first time next year unfortunately this teacher has had to withdraw and we have been unable to recruit anyone good enough to teach your child. Therefore, we will not be running Design and Technology this year.

This has had a significant impact on pupil choices which means we will have to redo our options process to allow pupils who have missed out on this subject the chance to reselect. For the vast majority of pupils this will be a case of reselecting the options they had originally planned and will be a brief exercise.

Due to the current school closure this process will be done online and the deadline for submission of this **electronic options form will be Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May** (the end of this week) to allow us time to sort the options choices and plan your child's timetable for next year. You child's tutor will be calling this week to talk to you about it, please save any questions you have for them or contact me directly on [s.mullarkey@arkjohnkeatsacademy.org](mailto:s.mullarkey@arkjohnkeatsacademy.org) if you wish to have a further discussion around this.

The options form is the same as the one you originally submitted earlier this year – just online and without DT as an option. The link for you to click through is below, will be sent by text parents and available on our website. Pupils should only submit their form once and contact us directly if you have any questions or changes to make once this document has been selected.

### Options form link –

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=dBTLADSljUaCn2NuzjLCTDVUcp5\\_q79Gl9zeyup2sYJUQkRJTks0MTdaTzU4Q1FYQk1MUDJITjcoMi4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=dBTLADSljUaCn2NuzjLCTDVUcp5_q79Gl9zeyup2sYJUQkRJTks0MTdaTzU4Q1FYQk1MUDJITjcoMi4u)

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Although it is of course frustrating to have repeat this process again nothing can be more important than ensuring your child is taking the correct next step in their education. Thank you in advance for completing this form and we would look forward to sharing your child's GCSE option choices once we have processed it early next term.

Kind regards,

Sean Mullarkey  
Vice Principal

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