



**Our Ref:** SW/kmd/Y9cz

12th July 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians

**Re: GCSE Citizenship**

Thank you for your continued support as we approach the end of the academic year. At present we are completing detailed planning for next academic year with the aim of resetting as many elements of the school offer as is possible.

I am therefore writing to inform you of a curriculum change involving Year 9 and GCSE Citizenship.

Having reviewed the school's curriculum considering recent events nationally and the ongoing challenges this has placed upon students we have decided to make an alteration to the Year 10 curriculum provision. As such, from September 2021 students in Year 10 will no longer study a formal qualification in GCSE Citizenship.

The time gained from this will be invested back into the school's main curriculum offer and support students in their main GCSE options. This will reinforce the school catch up provision following the periods of distance learning and disruption caused by COVID-19.

Students will continue to be taught similar citizenship themes through the form tutor programme and PSHE core provision. This will provide greater flexibility in what is being taught which will allow us to further respond to student's needs, although will mean that a formal qualification from will not be achievable. Our priority as always is to ensure that students are fully supported and are able to maximise their progress both in terms of academic opportunities and activities which support their further personal development; this decision will further safeguard this approach.

Thank you for your anticipated support with this and if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch by contacting the school.

Kind Regards  
Yours faithfully

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