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Dear Parents,

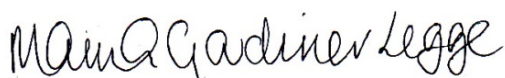
Form III GCSE Options Talk, Options Fair and Parents' Meeting

As you will have seen from the Lent Term calendar, there is a GCSE Options Talk and Fair from **2.15 p.m. on Friday 13th February**, followed by your annual Parents' Meeting with teaching staff. Refreshments will be served in the St Mary's Theatre from 2.00 p.m. At the Parents' Meeting your daughter will make appointments for you to speak to individual subject teachers, as well as House Staff to discuss your daughter's progress. We ask you to complete and return the attached slip to confirm whether you will be present or not and thus avoid disappointment or delay.

We would like to emphasise how important it is to attend the Options Talk, Options Fair and Parents' Meeting especially in the light of changes made by the Government to the GCSE curricula. The GCSE options talk will cover the changes as well as key criteria to be considered in choosing the right options. A booklet will be issued describing all courses on offer and explaining the options procedure in detail at the meeting. You will then have an opportunity to take the booklet home to share ideas and views with your daughter following the feedback you receive from her teachers.

Following the Options Fair, your daughter will be asked to indicate her **provisional** choices; this must be handed in by Wednesday 25th February. This is to give us an indication for confirming the blocks and staff. Once the blocks have been finalised based on the provisional choices, girls will have to make their selection according to the blocking and **further changes cannot be made**. This will be explained more fully at the Options Talk. Once this has been done the girls will fill in their final options form, following discussions at home and at school. We would like the completed form sent back to me by **Monday 9th March**.

Yours sincerely,



Marina Gardiner Legge
Director of Studies

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Form III Parents' Meeting with staff - Friday 13th February 2014

(Please return to Mrs Von Sachsen-Altenburg and *please delete as applicable)

*I/we are able/unable to attend the Form III Talk on GCSE Option Choices at 2.15 p.m. followed by the Options Fair. ☐

*I/we are able/unable to attend the Form III Parents' Meeting at 2.50 pm ☐

Daughter's Name:

Name(s) of those attending: