



## GCSE Pathways Launch 2023-25

Dear Parents & Carers,

I have the pleasure of contacting you to launch our Year 9 GCSE Pathways programme for this academic year. I write to confirm the arrangements and support that is available to support your child as they complete the process.

- Each student will receive a copy of the GCSE Pathways booklet, full of information and guidance. We ask that they go through this carefully, making notes and completing the back page before they enter their selections.
- A digital copy of this booklet is available on the website, or a copy can be obtained from Mr Nicholls.
- We have prepared a GCSE Pathways micro-site that is full of information videos recorded by our teams for each Key Stage 4 subject. These videos will be publicised to students via email link (<https://sites.google.com/marshlandhigh.co.uk/mhspathways>)
- Students will receive guidance and how to enter the data about the subjects that they would like to follow at GCSE. This data will be entered during Computer Science lessons from **Monday 6th March 2023 onwards.**
- **Year 9 Parents Evening is on Thursday 30th March 2023.** If a student wishes to modify their choices following this event, the **final deadline for changes will be Friday 21st April.** Students should speak directly to Mr Nicholls to do this.

Should you have any subject specific questions relating to GCSEs, we encourage students to approach their subject teacher, or the member of staff linked to that subject in the Pathways booklet, to discuss their questions or request a phone call home from the department.

Thank you for your patience and support as we complete this process. It is often an uncertain time for students, and any support we can offer helps to focus and settle on an effective set of choices for the future. Once the process is complete, we will be in touch later in the summer term to confirm exactly which subjects your child will be studying from September 2023.

Yours faithfully,

D. Nicholls

Assistant Headteacher – Curriculum and Staffing