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**Options: Business Studies**

Thank you to everyone for submitting their option choices. The initial analysis of the subject's selection has made us aware that the demand for business studies far outstrips the teaching availability that we have. We will therefore need to implement a random selection ballot. Students that are unsuccessful in the ballot will be notified and given the chance to select their reserve or another option of their choice.

Before proceeding with the ballot, we would like to ask all those students that have selected Business Studies, whether they wish to change their option choice. Some students may have selected Business as an outside interest and at this stage may wish to select an alternative subject. By doing so they would increase the chances for other students that had a greater desire to take business.

We recognise that this process will leave some students unhappy with their outcomes, we do however believe that all students will still have access to a broad and balanced curriculum. Not taking GCSE business would not prevent students from selecting the course at A Level and beyond, indeed many schools do not offer business at GCSE level.

Please complete the forms document through the link provided. You will have two options to select from.

- a. Please remove me from the ballot, I would like to take (state alternative option) instead of business studies.
- b. Please enter me for the business studies ballot.

Kind regards

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