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Dear Parent / Carer

Virtual Year 9 Choices

Due to ongoing government restrictions as a result of Covid -19 we will be hosting our choices process virtually again this year. We will be using the SIMs Parent & Student App to select choices. Therefore, a gentle reminder that if you have not downloaded the App that you will need to do so. If you need help logging into the Parent App, please contact: abiddle@atlantic-aspirations.org.

We have also updated our choices section on the Atlantic Academy website to support the choices process. Please visit this page where you will find the short videos explaining in detail information on:

- Explaining the Curriculum Offer & EBacc with Mrs Bishop (following Options Webinar)
- The process and how to select your choice with Ms Board (following Options Webinar) Atlantic Academy website to support th
- Subject Overviews linked with the choices blocks with subject leads

Presentation and Q&A Webinar link invitation: Tuesday 15th February 4pm

Further to this, we would like to invite you to attend a brief live presentation and Q&A session with myself, Ms Board, from 4pm on Tuesday 15th February. You will be able to access this event by clicking on [this link](#). During this session we will be able to answer any questions you may have around selecting choices. Please complete this [google form](#) if you are attending and have any questions in advance that we can answer on the night. We will be live via Google meet for 1 hour in which you can dip in and out within the hour and ask questions.

SIMS Options will go Live Wednesday 16th February 8am

Once you have downloaded the SIMs parent and student app, you will be able to access the SIMs Options button which will take you to the choices page. Final approval of the students' choices will be made by the school. Students will be able to select and **submit their choices** from 8:00am on **Wednesday 16th February** until 8.00am **Friday 25th February**.

Year 9 Choices Timeline

Event	Dates
PSHE Lesson	Wednesday 5th January- Friday 11th February
Q&A Webinar	Tuesday 15th February
SIMs Options Live	Wednesday 16th February
Choices Selection Window	Wednesday 16th February (8:00am) until Friday 25th February (8.00am)
Deadline	Friday 25th February

PSHE Lessons : 5th January - 11th February 2021

This half term, Year 9 students have been going through the choices process during their PSHE lessons and will have had an opportunity to go through the curriculum offer. The Atlantic Year 9 Choices webpage has various videos that the students will



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have seen in their PSHE lessons. There is also a detailed Curriculum Guidance 2022-2024 booklet explaining each course as well as an overview of the compulsory curriculum offer.

SIMs Parent App (if not already downloaded it)

1. On your device **create** and **register your account** at <https://id.sims.co.uk/registration/home/soscode>
 - a. Select the login method you want to sign up with (e.g. Microsoft, Google).
 - b. Enter your **unique invite code** and your **child's date of birth**.
2. From your smartphone or tablet, download the app from the Google Play or Apple App store by searching for **SIMS Parent**.
3. From a PC or Windows phone, login online at www.sims-parent.co.uk



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This is a very important stage in your child's academic career and we look forward to meeting (virtually) with you on **Tuesday 15th February at 4pm**.

Yours faithfully

Ms T Board
Head of Orange Faculty