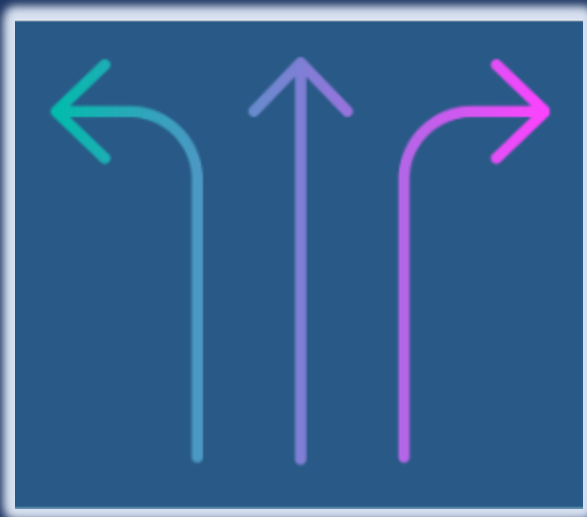


# Y9 Options Evening



# GCSE CURRICULUM



**CORE - 60%**

Maths	7
English	8
Science	10
PSHRE	1
PE	4
Option 1	5
Option 2	5
Option 3	5
Option 4	5

# HOW TO CHOOSE YOUR OPTIONS



## DO



### CHOOSE SUBJECTS THAT EXCITE YOU

You are going to spend a lot of time working in school and at home on them

### FIND OUT FULLY WHAT THE COURSE INVOLVES

Look at GCSE books, textbooks, NEA work and portfolios - can you commit to this? Is the GCSE different to Year9?



### THINK ABOUT THE WORKLOAD

Have you got the balance right? Do they all have coursework deadlines in Spring of Y11?



Where are you currently putting in the most effort?  
**Effort is key to success at GCSE**

Where are you currently most successful?  
**Success makes you more motivated.**

Subjects with coursework require portfolios. This means a great deal of work outside of school. **How good are you at getting your homework done?**

Subjects like Sports Science and NCFE Business have NEA (this is coursework you do in class) these are good if you struggle with lots of exams and are good at working through a chunk of work by doing a bit every lesson.

# HOW TO CHOOSE YOUR OPTIONS



## DON'T



### CHOOSE SUBJECTS BECAUSE OF FRIENDS

This is YOUR GCSE and you might not be in the same class

### CHOOSE SUBJECTS BECAUSE OF TEACHERS

You don't know which teacher you will get



### WORRY TOO MUCH ABOUT A LEVEL CHOICES

Some A levels are still open to you, even if you haven't done the subject at GCSE as long as you do well in the subjects you have done.

- You cannot drop options; there is no provision for students other than in their timetabled lessons (unless EHCP).
- I cannot organise your options according to your friendship group.
- Whatever you choose, by the end of September, you are staying with it for two years.
- There are no easy options, this will require hard work and by year 11, a time commitment of 10 hours per week on top of homework.

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<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE D&T	<input type="checkbox"/> L1/2 Hospitality & Catering	<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Photography	<input type="checkbox"/> L1/2 Hospitality & Catering
<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Drama	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>GCSE History</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Music	<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Dance
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<input type="checkbox"/> OCR Sports Science (L1/2)	<input type="checkbox"/> L1/2 Business & Enterprise	<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Y10 Stats/Y11 Further Maths (Sets 1 & 2 only)	<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE PE
<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE RE – Philosophy & Ethics		<input type="checkbox"/> L1/2 Business & Enterprise	<input type="checkbox"/> BTEC Digi Tech
<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Media		<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Media	<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Art
<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE French			

This is at risk

This is x 4 classes

There are not enough Maths teachers for more than 1 class

Greyed out because these additional classes will only run if there is sufficient demand

L1/2 has GCSE equivalency, if you do NCFE Business you can go on to do A level

- You choose 1 subject from each block
- You let me know your order of priority
- I look at class sizes and the number of teachers that we have and the number of classrooms that we have.
- I cannot guarantee you will get your four options; we may have to use your reserve options. You must choose your reserves carefully '*I don't like any other subjects*' is not a reason.
- In lots of local schools you would only have 2 choices.
- If you want DT, Photography, Food, History or Sociology, put them as your first and second choice, as they are currently oversubscribed.

Please make your choices and return your  
form to your tutor by **January 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**(paper copies are available here and from your  
tutor/reception)**