# Options

# THE ROAD AHEAD

YOUR PERSONAL PATHWAY THROUGH KEY STAGE FOUR

## **Key Dates**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January: Student Options Virtual Presentation Released

25<sup>th</sup> February: Videos available for Virtual Options Information Evening

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March: First day that an Options form can be handed in

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March: Deadline for handing in Options form

Between 18<sup>th</sup> January and 19<sup>th</sup> March:

Individual student appointment with tutor, head of year or selected member of staff

#### The Key Stage 4 Curriculum

English

**Mathematics** 

Science

Ethics

Core PE

+

4 Option subjects

#### Option subjects on offer:

#### <u>GCSEs</u>

- Art
- Business Studies
- Computer Science
- Design and Technology
- Drama
- Food Preparation and Nutrition
- French
- Geography
- German
- History
- Music
- Physical Education
- Spanish
- Separate Science

#### Technical Awards

- ICT/Multimedia (Level 2)
- Travel and Tourism (Level 2)
- Prince's Trust (Level 2 PDE)
- Materials Technology (School Based Award)

You must choose either **History** or **Geography**. (*you can choose both*)

We recommend choosing a language (French, German or Spanish).

## How to choose

#### THINK:

- Subjects you are good at
- Subjects you enjoy
- Subjects that will help you with your preferred **future job/education**
- Subjects that keep doors open
- Listen to **advice**



#### Don't make mistakes:

- Don't choose because your friends are
- Don't choose because of a teacher (the teacher might change)
- Don't be pressured into something you don't want to do - *It's* your choice
- All the courses require hard work



To help you:

- Mrs Godfrey, Mr Nonweiler, Mr Bamford
- Your Tutor
- Your options appointment
- Older Students
- Family and Friends
- Subject Teachers
- The options booklet

#### The options form

Rank at least 5 subjects (1 is the subject you want to do the most)

GCSE Subjects	Humanities - Please select at least one:	
	Geography	4
	History	
	Languages - We recommend selecting one:	1. 4
	French	
	German	2
	Spanish	
	Other GCSE Subjects:	
	Art	
	Business Studies	6
	Computer Science	
	Drama	
	Food Preparation and Nutrition	
	Music	1
	Physical Education	
	Resistant Materials	5
	Third Science	
	Technical Awards:	
Technical Subjects	Travel and Tourism	
	ICT / Multimedia	3
	Prince's Trust	
	Materials Technology	

#### Will I get my choices?

- We guarantee your 1st choice
- You might not get the others

In 2019:

- Roughly 95 out of 120 got their first 4 choices
- About 20 got their first 5 choices
- About 5 had to choose again as their choices did not fit

If you hand in your form late, or change your mind after handing in the form, you are much less likely to get your preferred choices

#### Can I change my mind?

• If you submit your form late, or ask to change it, you are less likely to get your choices as classes maybe full or certain lessons may become incompatible.

• If we are able to make a change for you, we will.

• If you start year 10 and find you hate a subject we might allow changes up to the end of September but there can be no changes after that.

### **Questions?**

Email:

Mr Nonweiler (In charge of options process)

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#### Mrs Godfrey (Head of Year 9, able to advise students)

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**Subject Leads** 

Various emails - use a langtree school email account to look up the teacher or check the school website

## Please fill in the pre-option appointment form

(link sent to year 9 students in the email with this presentation)