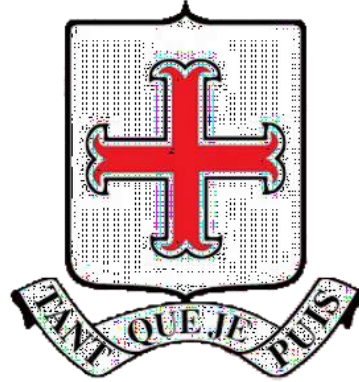


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Year 9 Parents Information Evening

Options Process - Welcome

Ms. J. McCall | Mr A. Harcourt

January 2025

PLANNING AHEAD



85% of the jobs that will exist in 2030 have yet to be invented.

Your son could still be working in 2078!

Comparison:

People working today could have chosen their 'options' in 1964.

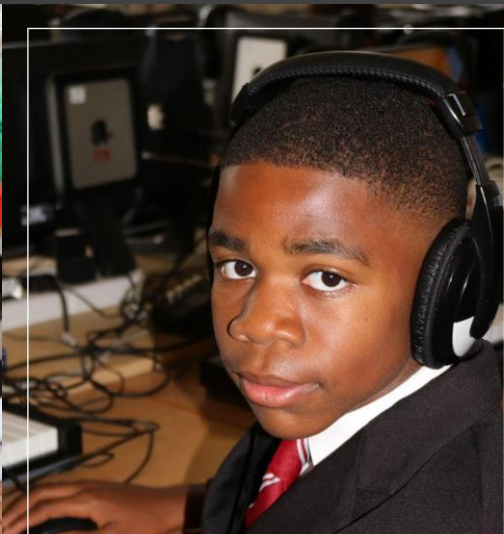
The world has changed A LOT since 1964 and change seems to be happening at an ever faster rate.

FROM BOY TO MAN





PASSION
A boy with passion is a man who inspires

TANT QUE JE PUIS - 'AS MUCH AS I CAN' 




RESILIENCE
A boy with resilience is a man who thrives

TANT QUE JE PUIS - 'AS MUCH AS I CAN' 



INTEGRITY
A boy with integrity is a man who leads

TANT QUE JE PUIS - 'AS MUCH AS I CAN' 



DETERMINATION
A boy with determination is a man who achieves

TANT QUE JE PUIS - 'AS MUCH AS I CAN' 



EMPATHY
A boy with empathy is a man who understands

TANT QUE JE PUIS - 'AS MUCH AS I CAN' 

PLANNING AHEAD



At KS3 your son will have studied over 15 different subjects as part of the school's *'broad and balanced curriculum'*. We believe this is key to helping your son develop as a well rounded, successful individual.

We still believe this is important for Key Stage 4, but your son must narrow that range down to 9 GCSEs.

This presentation will guide you through the process and give you advice to make the right choices because choosing the right GCSEs will help to keep the right doors open for your son.

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KEY CHANGES



New grading system 9 to 1 has replaced A* to G.

Exams are more difficult and rigorous. Changes to grade boundaries.

Terminal, end of course exams ONLY. First entry only.

Controlled Assessment (coursework) reduced.

Marks for SPAG –Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar.

GCSE GRADING SYSTEM



Grades 7, 8, 9 - equivalent to A*/A

Grade 6 - general requirement for A level study (B).

Grade 5 - 'strong pass' (high C)

Grade 4 - 'standard pass' (low C)

YEAR 9 OPTIONS PROCESS



What will your son
study
at Key Stage 4?

COMPULSORY CORE PROGRAMME



GCSE English Language

GCSE English Literature

GCSE Mathematics

GCSE Combined Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)

Physical Education

PSHE (Personal, Social & Health Education)

ENGLISH BACCALAUREATE (Ebacc)



Government measure aimed at “...*increasing the number of students taking rigorous academic qualifications.*”

Ebacc = Grade 5 or better in English, Maths, 2 Sciences, History or Geography and a Language

The government believes that these are “...*the subjects most valued by universities and employers.*”

THE OPTIONS PROCESS - STEP 1



Step 1

If your son is to follow the Ebacc route they will have to study **GCSE French** or **GCSE Spanish**

AND

Either **GCSE History** or **GCSE Geography**

(this does not mean they cannot study GCSE Geography & GCSE History)

THE OPTIONS PROCESS - STEP 1



If your son is not going to follow Ebacc route, he will have to choose to study:

GCSE Geography

OR

GCSE History

OR

GCSE French

OR

GCSE Spanish

THE OPTIONS PROCESS - STEP 2



Step 2 (Free Choice)

Ebacc Route: Your son now has to choose two other subjects (free choice) and two reserve subjects

Non-Ebacc Route: Your son now has to choose three other subjects (free choice) and two reserve subject

FREE CHOICE SUBJECTS



Art, Craft & Design

Business Studies

Citizenship

Computer Science

Design & Technology

Information Technologies

Food Preparation & Nutrition

French

Geography

History iMedia

Media Studies

Music

Physical Education

Religious Studies

Spanish

Triple Science

Option Process – English Baccalaureate (Ebacc)

Core Curriculum (Compulsory)	Language (compulsory)	Humanities Option (Choose one)	GCSE Option - Free Choice (Choose two)	
<p>English Literature</p> <p>English Language</p> <p>Maths</p> <p>Science</p> <p>(non-examined)</p> <p>PSHE</p> <p>Physical Education</p>	<p>French</p> <p>or</p> <p>Spanish</p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>or</p> <p>History</p>	<p>Art</p> <p>Business Studies</p> <p>Citizenship</p> <p>Computer Science</p> <p>Design & Technology</p> <p>IT</p> <p>Food</p>	<p>French</p> <p>Geography</p> <p>History</p> <p>iMedia</p> <p>Media</p> <p>Music</p> <p>PE</p> <p>Religious Studies</p> <p>Spanish</p> <p>Triple Science</p>

Option Process – Non-English Baccalaureate

Core Curriculum (Compulsory)	Compulsory Option (not studying GCSE French)	GCSE Option (Choose three)	
<p>English Literature</p> <p>English Language</p> <p>Maths</p> <p>Science</p> <p>(non-examined)</p> <p>PSHE</p> <p>Physical Education</p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>or</p> <p>History</p> <p>or</p> <p>French</p> <p>or</p> <p>Spanish</p>	<p>Art</p> <p>Business Studies</p> <p>Citizenship</p> <p>Computer Science</p> <p>Design & Technology</p> <p>IT</p> <p>Food</p> <p>French</p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>History</p> <p>iMedia</p> <p>Media</p> <p>Music</p> <p>PE</p> <p>Religious Studies</p> <p>Spanish</p> <p>Triple Science</p>



MAKING THE RIGHT CHOICE



Choices should be based on:

- Future aspirations
- Aiming high
- Enjoyment and balance
- Skills
- Achievement & attainment
- Teacher advice

MAKING THE WRONG CHOICE



Choices should NOT be based on:

- Friends
- Current teacher
- 'Easy' option
- Short term view (today and not tomorrow)

OPTIONS & BEYOND



KS3 (Y9)
Options

KS4
(Y10 & Y11)

KS5
(Y12 & Y13)

University / FE /
Work /
Apprenticeship

The choices made in Y9 can affect choices later on.

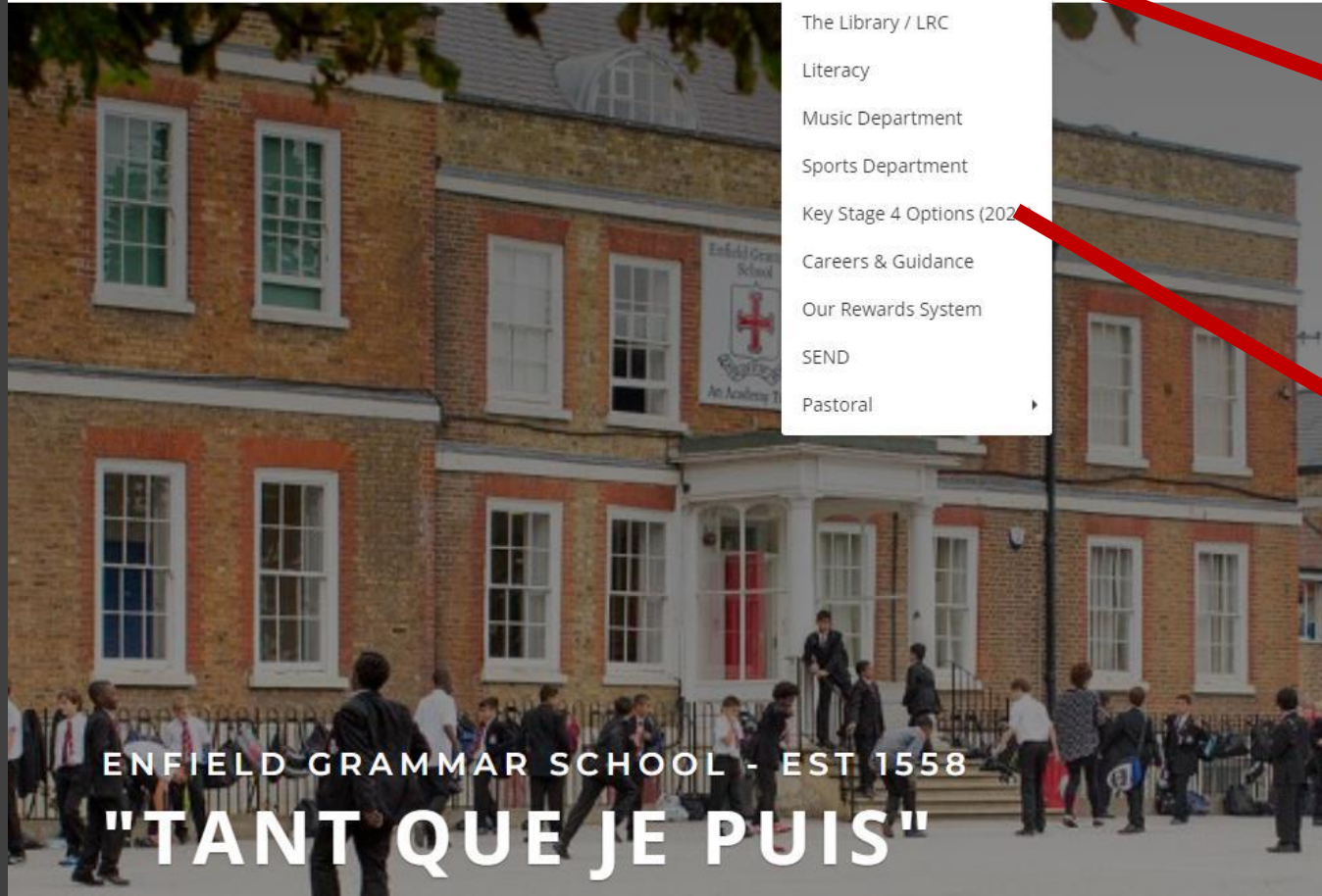
For example if University is an aspiration, do look at the guide [Informed Choices](#) which provides information, advice and guidance about post-16 subject choices.

ONLINE OPTIONS FORM



Go to School Home Page. Click on
'Learning & Support'

Click on **'Key Stage 4 Options
(2025)'** tab



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"TANT QUE JE PUIS"

ONLINE OPTIONS FORM



'Your Choices' in Year 9 (Options KS4)

Your son will soon be asked to choose his GCSE and Vocational option choices for moving up to Key Stage 4. We update a booklet named 'Your Choice' each year to assist the process and an important information evening is organised to highlight important issues, to talk through the process and to answer any questions you may have.

Key dates for the 2023 GCSE Options Process

Tuesday 18 January 2023 – Year 9 Options Information Evening for Parents and Students

Friday 20 January 2023 – Options Fair for students in the Main Hall

Thursday 26 January 2023 – Year 9 Parents Consultation Evening

Friday 27 January 2023 – Year 9 GCSE 'Your Choice' options booklet available on school website and emailed to parents / students

Monday 30 January 2023 – Link to Online Options Form goes live

Friday 24 February 2022 – Deadline for Year 9 Options forms to be submitted

July 2023 – Option choices confirmed – written confirmation given

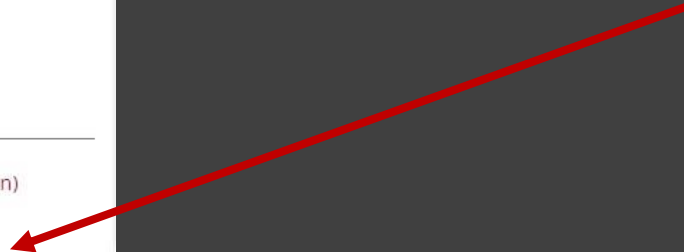
Year 9 Parents Information – 2023 Presentation: 'The Options Process' (link will appear soon)

KS4 GCSE Information Booklet 2023: 'Your Choice' (link will appear here 27/1/23)

Year 9 GCSE Options Application Form 2022 (not available)

For further information on course options please do not hesitate to contact the school office

Click here for the
Options **Booklet**



OPTIONS BOOKLET



Enfield Grammar School



Key Stage 4

GCSE INFORMATION BOOKLET

2024

'Your Choice'

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A copy of this booklet will be emailed to all parents and be made available on the school website on 7 February 2024

ONLINE OPTIONS FORM



Student Choices Sign Out Dolores Bark

Save Cancel Show Instructions Hide Instructions

This page lets you make your GCSE choices. Some subjects are compulsory at GCSE level. These are:

- English
- Maths
- Sciences

Lots of information can be found on the school website, click here.

Humanities

Pick one Humanities subject, click the subject to add it to your choices

You have chosen 1 of 1 courses from this list

Geography GCSE Full Course Choice <small>This course is also available in Open choice</small>	History GCSE Full Course <small>This course is also available in Open choice</small>
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Languages

Pick one Language subject, click the subject to add it to your choices

You have chosen 1 of 1 courses from this list

French GCSE Full Course <small>This course is also available in Open choice</small>	German GCSE Full Course Choice <small>This course is also available in Open choice</small>
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Open choice

Pick three other subjects and one reserve, click the subjects to add them to your choices

You have chosen 3 of 3 courses and 1 of 1 reserves from this list

Accounting GCSE Full Course Choice Reserve	Art GCSE Full Course Reserve
human GCSE Full Course Reserve	human GCSE Full Course Reserve
Business Studies GCSE Full Course Reserve	CDT:Des & Com GCSE Full Course Reserve
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Economics GCSE Full Course Choice Reserve	Electronics GCSE Full Course Choice Reserve

My Choices in Order of Preference (Total Choices: 5)

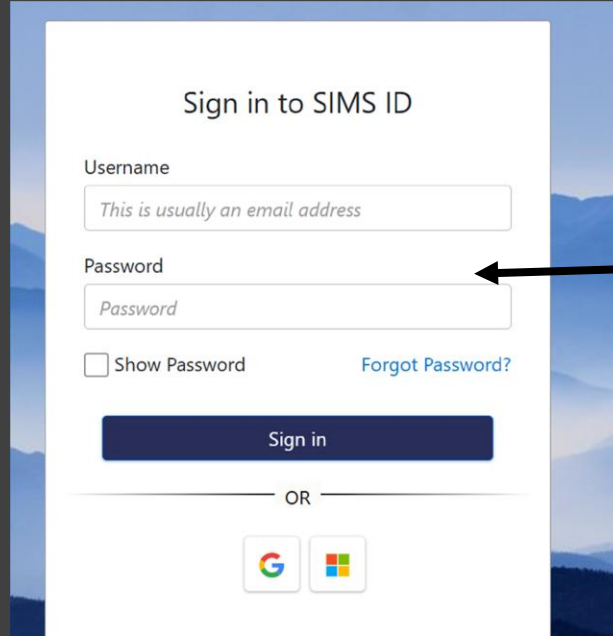
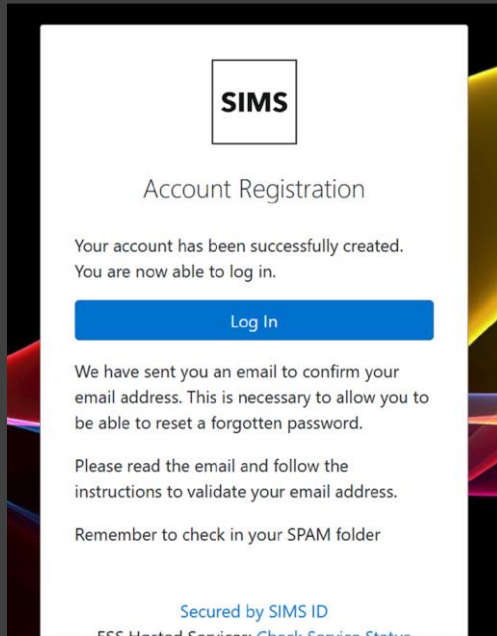
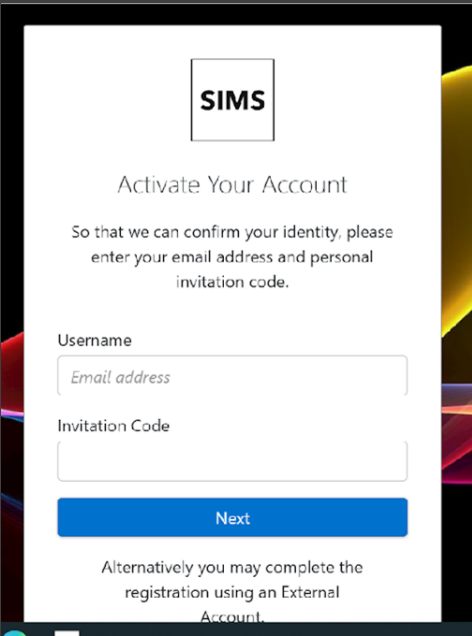
Drag and drop choices to change your order of preference

- 1 Economics**
GCSE Full Course
Open choice
- 2 Geography**
GCSE Full Course
Humanities
- 3 German**
GCSE Full Course
Languages
- 4 Accounting**
GCSE Full Course
Open choice
- 5 Electronics**
GCSE Full Course
Open choice

My Reserves in Order of Preference (Total Reserves: 1)

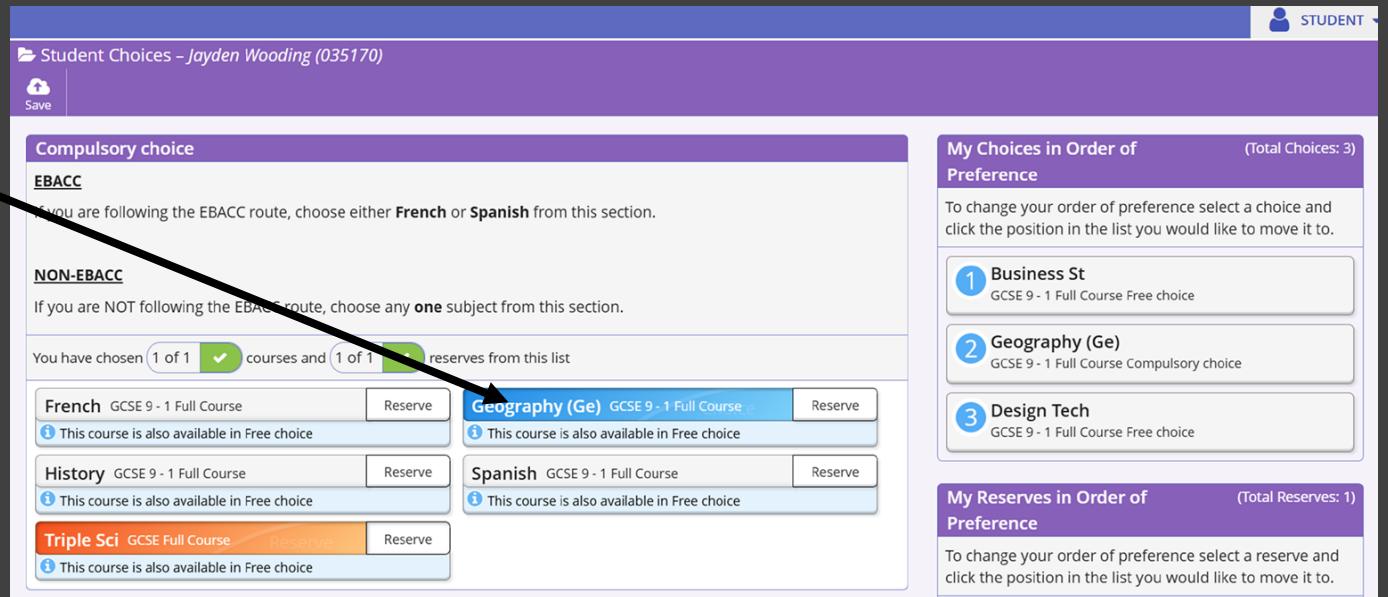
Drag and drop reserves to change your order of preference

- 1 Music**
GCSE Full Course
Open choice



Click the green “Accept Invitation” button in the email you received from sims.co.uk to register an account. When you have registered your account. Click the Log In button and enter your new details when prompted. This will take you to the option screen. Double check that your (child’s) name appears at the top of the purple screen.

Click directly onto the subject name to add to your selection in both the Compulsory and then the Free Choice sections. To add a reserve click the reserve button next to subject name. Subjects (including reserves) will be shown on the right hand side of the screen.





Compulsory choice

EBACC

If you are following the EBACC route, choose either **French** or **Spanish** from this section.

NON-EBACC

If you are NOT following the EBACC route, choose any **one** subject from this section.

You have chosen 1 of 1 courses and 1 of 1 reserves from this list

French GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve	Geography (Ge) GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve
<small>This course is also available in Free choice</small>	<small>This course is also available in Free choice</small>
History GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve	Spanish GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve
<small>This course is also available in Free choice</small>	<small>This course is also available in Free choice</small>
Triple Sci GCSE Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve	
<small>This course is also available in Free choice</small>	

Free choice

My Choices in Order of Preference (Total Choices: 3)

To change your order of preference select a choice and click the position in the list you would like to move it to.

- 1 Business St**
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Free choice
 Click to move Design Tech here.
- 2 Geography (Ge)**
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Compulsory choice
 Click to move Design Tech here.
- 3 Design Tech**
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Free choice
 Click again to deselect or click another course to change preference.

My Reserves in Order of Preference (Total Reserves: 1)

When all of your choices are made, you can amend your order of preference here by clicking on the number and then the green box underneath the number to move to your desired order. You can do this for main choices and also reserve choices.

Click Save to save your choices and submit the form to us. The form can be amended afterwards.

The teachers in school can help if you are having troubles accessing the system are Mr Bentley, Ms McCall and Mr Wragg

Remember, your choices do not guarantee that you will take these subjects.



Choices have been saved.

Computer Science GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve	Citizenship GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve
Design Tech GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reserve	French GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve <small>This course is also available in Compulsory choice</small>
Food Technology GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve	Geography (Ge) GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve <small>You have selected this course in Compulsory choice</small>
History GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve <small>This course is also available in Compulsory choice</small>	Level 2 IT Cambridge Nationals Certificate Level 1 & 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve
Level 2 I-media Cambridge Nationals Certificate Level 1 & 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve	Media GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve
Music/Tech General <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve	Music GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve
Pe Exam Course GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve	Religious Ed GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve
Spanish GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve <small>This course is also available in Compulsory choice</small>	Triple Sci GCSE Full Course <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve <small>You have selected this course in Compulsory choice</small>

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THE SMALL PRINT



The school reserves the right to guide students towards certain subjects and routes which we feel better suit them.

Please be aware that we cannot give a guarantee of every student getting the option choices they have chosen.

Each option needs viable numbers but also has a maximum capacity. What we can guarantee is that we will do our best to meet ALL requests.

Once choices are made and a course has been embarked upon there is very little flexibility in changing course.

THANK YOU FOR LISTENING



ANY
QUESTIONS
?

Any queries, please contact me at the
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