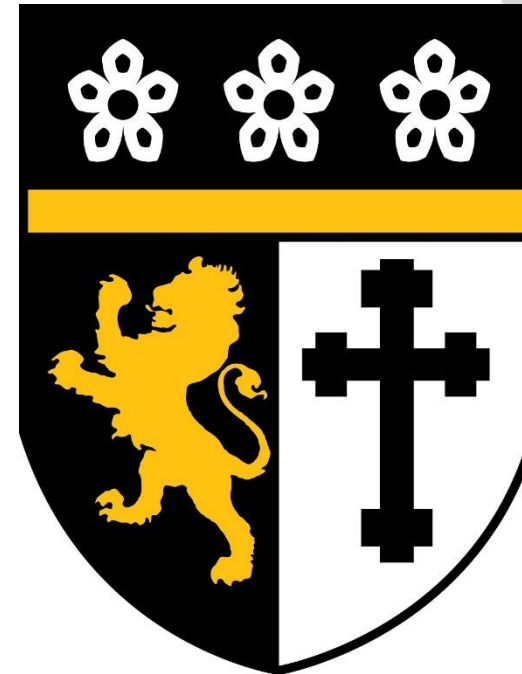
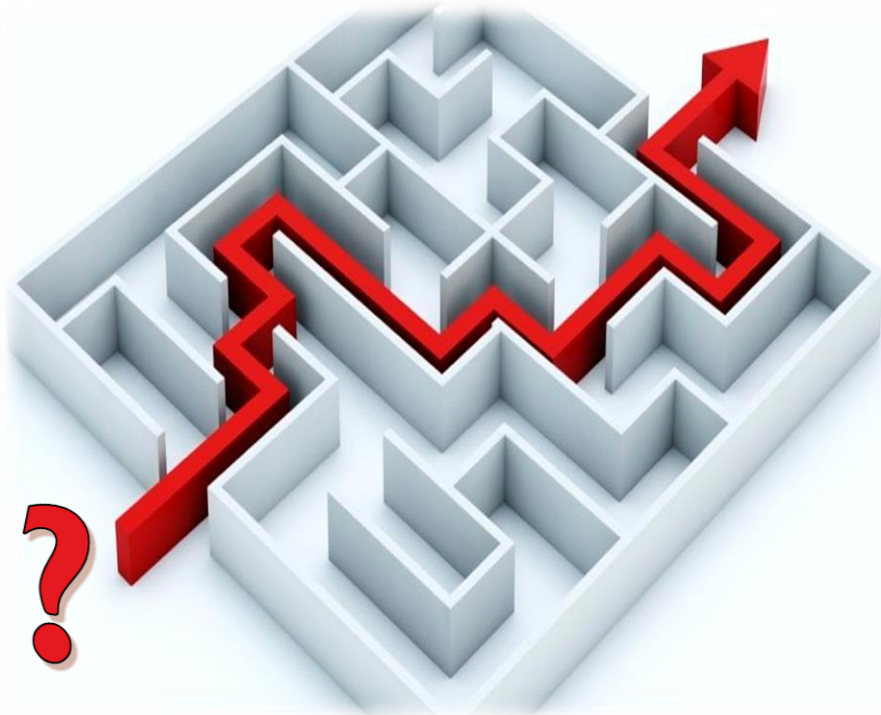


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Options Evening 2016



Key Stage 4 Options

Core Subjects

- English
- Maths
- 2x Science
- R.E.
- Citizenship
- P.E.

Guidance Subjects

- French
- German
- History
- Geography

Options Subjects

- Choose 4 subjects in preference order.
- Study 2 or them.

Option Subjects:

Business Studies	Geography	Music
Citizenship	Graphics	Photography
Computing	History	Physical Education
Drama	ICT	Product Design
Fine Art	Media Studies	Textiles
Food	Science (Triple)	

GCSE Reforms:

NEW GCSE GRADING STRUCTURE	CURRENT GCSE GRADING STRUCTURE
9	A*
8	
7	A
6	B
5	
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
	G
U	U

GOOD PASS (DfE)
5 and above = top of C and above

AWARDING
4 and above = bottom of C and above

The new “Good Pass” will be Grade 5.
This is equal to a C+.

The new “Top Pass” will be Grade 9.
This is more challenging than an A*.



FFT Estimates

Subject	PC2	FFT Estimate	Subject	PC2	FFT Estimate	Subject	PC 2	FFT Estimate
English	4	4=	Science	4	4=	History	5	4=
Maths	4	5-	French/German	3	3=	Geography	5	3+

- ▶ The FFT educational charity collects and analyses the scores students get at Year 6 and Year 11.
- ▶ They are able to estimate the most likely GCSE grade individual students may achieve in each subject based on this analysis.
- ▶ These individual estimated grades for the English Baccalaureate subjects are provided on the final options form in order to help you decide if the English Baccalaureate subjects are an appropriate range of courses for your child.

English Baccalaureate

Subject	PC2	FFT Estimate	Subject	PC2	FFT Estimate	Subject	PC 2	FFT Estimate
English	4	4=	Science	4	4=	History	5	4=
Maths	4	5-	French/German	3	3=	Geography	5	3+

The English Baccalaureate is the collection of subjects considered “*desirable*” by some universities when they are selecting potential students.

Students achieving grade **5** or above in the following subjects will be considered to have achieved the “English Baccalaureate:”

English	Maths	Two Sciences	A Language	History OR Geography
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If students are capable of attaining a Grade 4 or above for **all** of these subjects, they should seriously consider taking a modern language AND History or Geography.

Tutor Activities

Tutor Time – Feb

Tutor Period – 12th Feb



Options Events

Options Hour – 12th Feb

Options Evening – 25th Feb



Options Interviews and Choices

Interviews – 1st March

Options Deadline – 11th March



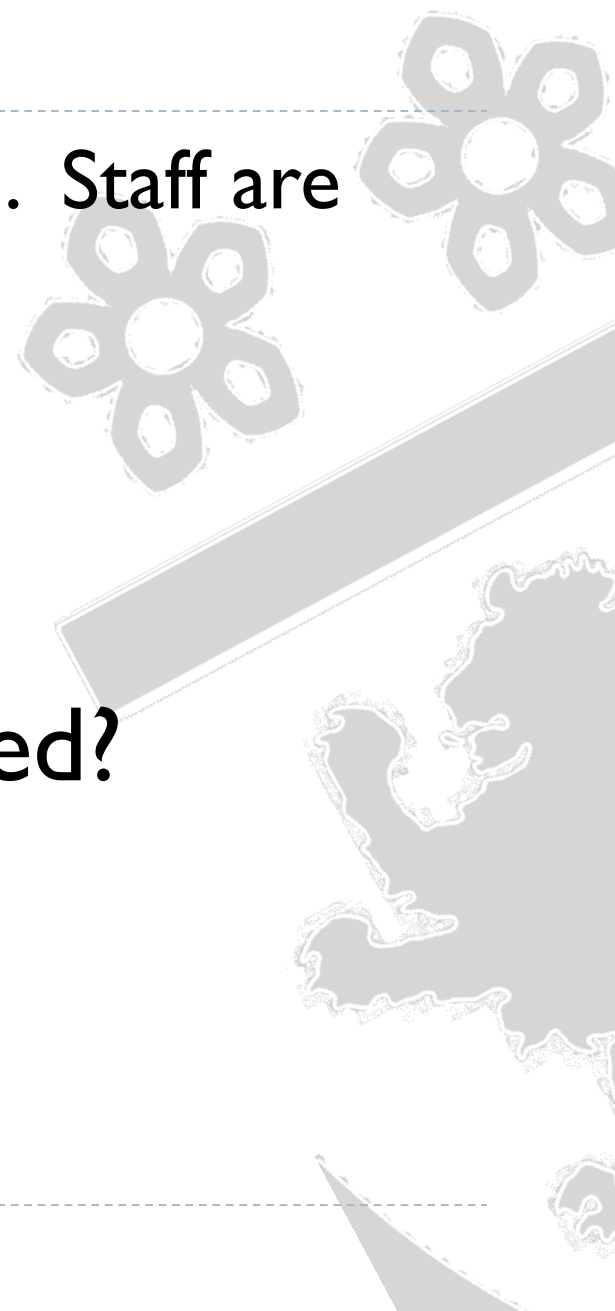
Helping students make the right choices:

- ▶ **OPPORTUNITIES:** Options booklet, teachers, careers advisor, research...
- ▶ **DISCUSS:** What are their opinions? What are your opinions? What questions do they have that you might be able to help answer?
- ▶ **FACTS:** Make sure they are basing choices on facts, not *assumptions*.
- ▶ **SUBJECT:** Base the decision on the work, not friends or teachers.
- ▶ **JUSTIFY:** Make sure they have a good reason for every choice they make.



Tonight:

- ▶ Please make full use of all the information available. Staff are very keen speak with you! 😊
 - ▶ What will be studied?
 - ▶ How will the subject be assessed?
 - ▶ What sort of qualities or skills are needed?
 - ▶ What college courses will be available?
 - ▶ What careers might be available?
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Thank You!

- ▶ GCSE choices can be some of the first big decisions that students make.
- ▶ Thank you for coming along tonight to show your support for them and the school.
- ▶ Please ask anyone anything that you might want to know!

