



21<sup>st</sup> February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 8 students,

### Year 8 Key Stage 4 Options

I am writing to provide an overview of our Key Stage 4 options process for Year 8, along with the key dates for this academic year.

Date	Focus
7 <sup>th</sup> February and 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Heads of Subject present at Year 8 assemblies
Week beginning 21 <sup>st</sup> February	1:1 guidance meeting for all students with a staff member via Teams
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 8 options evening
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Year 8 parents' evening
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Link to online options form sent to parents and carers
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Deadline for all completed online option forms

Students will study core subjects throughout the Key Stage 4 curriculum. These are:

- Mathematics GCSE
- English Language GCSE
- English Literature GCSE
- Combined Science GCSE\*
- Philosophical, Political and Personal Studies (including statutory SRE)
- Physical Education

Students are invited to choose an additional four subjects from:

Computer Science	Art
French	Art and Design: Textiles
Geography	Business Studies
History	Citizenship
Spanish	Creative iMedia (L2)
	Design and Technology: Graphics
	Design and Technology: Product Design
	Drama
	Film Studies
	Hospitality and Catering (L2)
	Information Technologies (L2)
	Music
	Photography
	Physical Education
	Religious Studies
	Sport Studies (L2)

**1. It is compulsory to choose at least one of the subjects in green.**

2. \*Students will not be asked to choose Triple Science as part of the options process and will cover a common science curriculum in Year 9. If requested, and assessed as suitable, students may move to the Triple Science curriculum in Year 10.

A guidance booklet, subject information and options form will be available via the school website. The options information evening will take place online on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. The process has been designed to ensure that students have access to a wide range of combinations. We always aim to give first choices but cannot guarantee this.

We look forward to seeing you at our options and parents' evenings.

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