



GCSE Options Evening

23rd February 2017



Key Stage 4 Curriculum

- Being prepared for the ever changing world
- Breadth and balance of subjects
- Motivation to achieve



Curriculum content

Compulsory Core –

- English
- Mathematics
- Science (Biology, Physics and Chemistry)
- Religious Education
- Physical Education
- Citizenship (PSHCE)



Curriculum content - Options

Geography

History

French

German

Computer Science

Business Studies

Art

Design (Resistant Materials)

Design (Graphics)

Design (Textiles)

Food Technology

Physical Education

Music

Drama

BTEC Dance

BTEC Technical Theatre

BTEC Health and Social Care

Alternative curriculum for selected students.



BTEC explained

All BTEC courses are level 2 courses and equivalent to GCSE courses

Btec graded –

Distinction*, Distinction, Merit, Pass

GCSE graded –

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Options Process

- Free choice of option subjects
- Choose **three** subjects, plus a reserve
- Students may get their reserve choice
- Please meet all deadlines



IAG – Information, Advice, and Guidance

- Subject teachers
- Heads of Department
- Tutors
- Parents
- PSHCE module
- Attendance at parents evening
- Careers companion



Advice on how to choose

- Subjects that you enjoy
- Subjects where you excel
- Broad and balanced range of subjects
- What you may need in the future
- Research the subjects thoroughly



The English Baccalaureate

This is a measure of whether students have achieved the threshold in the following range of subjects:

- English
- Mathematics
- the sciences
- geography or history
- a language



Important dates

- Thursday 23rd February – Options evening
- Friday 24th February – Options booklet sent home
- Thursday 2nd March – Year 9 PTC
- Thursday 16th March – Deadline for options form
- Monday 5th June (Term 6) – Students begin GCSE courses
- Tuesday 27th June – KS4 Explained evening