



**The Telford
Park School**

ENSURING EXCELLENCE

Options Evening

Thursday 30th March 5.00pm



Welcome Year 9 pupils, parents and carers

CHOICES NOW – MORE OPTIONS LATER

What you choose now opens doors to your future

- Post 16 study
 - College
 - Sixth form
 - Apprenticeship
 - A-levels / T-Levels / Vocational Courses
- Post 18 study
 - University
 - Higher level apprenticeships
- Employment



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ABOUT GCSE GRADING AND EBACC SUBJECTS

“New” GCSE Grading

A few years ago the government changed the grading system from a letter based system to a number based system:

Old GCSE Grades	New GCSE Grades
A* A	9
	8
	7
B C	6
	5
	4
D	3 2 1
E	
F	
G	
U	U

English Baccalaureate (Ebacc)

This is a qualification measure which demonstrates whether students have succeeded in courses that the government deem to be highly academic GCSEs.

It is awarded to pupils achieving GCSE grade 4 and above in:

- English
- Maths
- Science
- A Humanity (Geography, History)
- A Modern Foreign Language (French in our school)

This is recommended for entry to top universities and so for some students it is compulsory to study French and either History, Geography.

OUR CORE OFFER

All pupils will study

English

Maths

Science

Core PE

Religious Studies (RS)

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE)

Sex and Relationships Education (SRE)

All pupils will have the opportunity to study the full range of subjects on offer with guidance given to those who require support with their choices.

Should you require further support, advice and guidance please speak to your form tutor in the first instance.



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ABOUT OPTION CHOICES

Based on what we know about you and your previous attainment, we will allocate you an appropriate study pathway to assist you in guiding your choices.

Students will then choose optional subjects to study alongside the core:

English Baccalaureate (Ebacc) GCSEs

French GCSE

Geography GCSE

History GCSE

GCSEs

Geography GCSE

History GCSE

Art & Design GCSE

Enterprise GCSE

Computer Science GCSE

Music GCSE

Religious Studies GCSE

Food & Nutrition GCSE

Level 2 Vocational and Technical Qualifications

Health and Social Care CNAT

Performing Arts BTEC

Interactive Media VCERT

Health and Fitness VCERT / BTEC

Creative Media CNAT

Level 2 means equivalent to a GCSE qualification

BTEC - Business and Technology Education Council (Pearson)

VCERT - Vocational Certificate (NCFE exam board)

CNAT - Cambridge National Qualification

Core Subjects

All students study core GCSEs in

English Language

English Literature

Maths

Combined Science (2 GCSEs)

Additionally students study statutory Religious Studies, PSHE, SRE and PE.

When you choose your subjects you must do so very carefully.

Good Reasons for Choosing

- You love the subject and enjoy studying it
- You would like to study it or a related subject after you leave school
- You want a career related to that subject
- You are really good at that subject

Poor Reasons for Choosing

- Your friends take that subject
 - You think it will all be practical with very little writing
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PATHWAY 1 – PUPILS WILL STUDY 8 QUALIFICATIONS

6 COMPULSORY GCSE SUBJECTS

STUDENT MUST STUDY ALL OF THESE

English Language GCSE

English Literature GCSE

Mathematics GCSE

Science 2 GCSEs

French GCSE

COMPULSORY NON GCSE SUBJECTS

These do not lead to a qualification

Core PE

Religious Studies

PSHE

SRE



2 OPTIONAL SUBJECTS (to make up 8)

EBACC SUBJECTS

(one or both)

Geography GCSE

History GCSE



OTHER SUBJECTS

Art & Design GCSE

Computer Science GCSE

Enterprise GCSE

Music GCSE

Religious Studies GCSE

Food & Nutrition GCSE

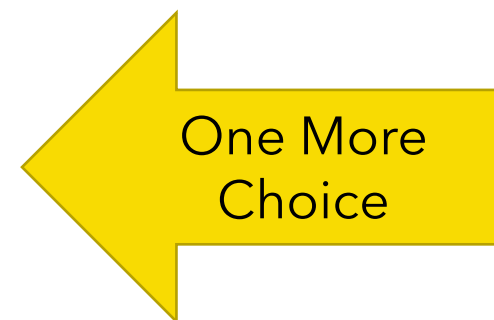
Health and Social Care CNAT

Performing Arts BTEC

Interactive Media VCERT

Health and Fitness VCERT / BTEC

Creative Media CNAT



Some students will be given the opportunity to study an additional GCSE in Statistics after school

PATHWAY 2 – PUPILS WILL STUDY 8 QUALIFICATIONS

5 COMPULSORY GCSE SUBJECTS

STUDENT MUST STUDY ALL OF THESE

English Language GCSE
English Literature GCSE
Mathematics GCSE
Science 2 GCSEs



Must do all

COMPULSORY NON GCSE SUBJECTS

These do not lead to a qualification

Core PE
Religious Studies
PSHE
SRE

3 OPTIONAL SUBJECTS (to make up 8)

EBACC SUBJECTS (at least 2)

French GCSE
Geography GCSE
History GCSE



Must do two

OTHER SUBJECTS

Art & Design GCSE
Computer Science GCSE
Enterprise GCSE
Music GCSE
Religious Studies GCSE
Food & Nutrition GCSE
Health and Social Care CNAT
Performing Arts BTEC
Interactive Media VCERT
Health and Fitness VCERT / BTEC
Creative Media CNAT



One More
Choice

PATHWAY 3 – PUPILS WILL STUDY 8 QUALIFICATIONS

5 COMPULSORY GCSE SUBJECTS

STUDENT MUST STUDY ALL OF THESE

English Language GCSE
English Literature GCSE
Mathematics GCSE
Science 2 GCSEs



Must do all

COMPULSORY NON GCSE SUBJECTS

These do not lead to a qualification

Core PE
Religious Studies
PSHE
SRE

3 OPTIONAL SUBJECTS (to make up 8)

EBACC SUBJECTS (must pick 1)

French GCSE
Geography GCSE
History GCSE



Must do one

OTHER SUBJECTS

Art & Design GCSE
Computer Science GCSE
Enterprise GCSE
Music GCSE
Religious Studies GCSE
Food & Nutrition GCSE
Health and Social Care CNAT
Performing Arts BTEC
Interactive Media VCERT
Health and Fitness VCERT / BTEC
Creative Media CNAT



Two More Choices

PATHWAY 4 – PUPILS WILL STUDY A MINIMUM OF 5 QUALIFICATIONS

5 COMPULSORY GCSE SUBJECTS

STUDENT MUST STUDY ALL OF THESE

English Language GCSE

English Literature GCSE

Mathematics GCSE

Science 2 GCSEs



COMPULSORY NON GCSE SUBJECTS

These do not lead to a qualification

Core PE

Religious Studies

PSHE

SRE

OPTIONAL SUBJECTS

The SEND / Pastoral team will work on an individual basis to recommend subjects on this pathway and there may be additional opportunities outside of this booklet.

EBACC SUBJECTS

French GCSE

Geography GCSE

History GCSE

OTHER SUBJECTS

Art & Design GCSE

Computer Science GCSE

Enterprise GCSE

Music GCSE

Religious Studies GCSE

Food & Nutrition GCSE

Health and Social Care CNAT

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DT Level 1

You need to choose subjects from different option blocks. The online form you receive is tailored to you.

- One subject from each block as your first choice*
- A backup subject from each block.

Block A	Block B	Block C
Geography	Geography	Geography
History	History	History
French	French	Art and Design
Health and Fitness	Creative iMedia	Computer Science
Enterprise	Health and Fitness	Health and Social Care
Religious Studies	Health and Social Care	Food & Nutrition
	Performing Arts	Music



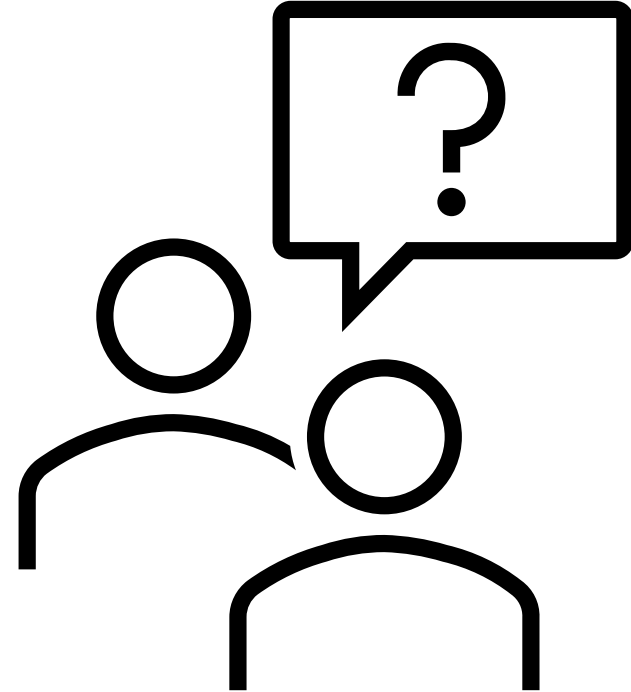
First Choice

Back up Choice



CAN I CHANGE MY MIND?

- You will receive confirmation of your choices once the options have been confirmed
- If you change your mind then you will need to complete a change request form stating what you want to change to
- If you change your mind once you have started the course, you have until the end of September to request the change.



WHAT NEXT?

You will receive an email containing:

- This presentation
- A copy of our options booklet
- A link to an electronic form for you to complete to choose your options
- Your form will be specific to you
- You must complete and return the form by Friday 21st April
- Should you require further support, advice and guidance please speak to your **Form Tutor and Head of Year** in the first instance.



Over to the experts:



Our subject leaders are able to answer your questions about courses.



If you are unsure and would like to speak to your child's subject teacher, please ask the subject leader for a follow up phone call.