

**The County High School,
Leftwich**

Electives Evening

Tuesday 20 January 2009

The 'Core' - what students must study

- English - 2 GCSEs (Language & Literature)
- Maths
- Science - at least 1 GCSE for all students
- ECM
- ICT (ECDL – vocational qualification)
- PE (Entry Level Certificate)
- RS (GCSE)

A Year 10 'Core' Timetable

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Period 1					
Period 2					
Period 3					
Period 4					
Period 5					

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Period 2	English	English			
Period 3					
Period 4					
Period 5				English	

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Period 2	English	English			
Period 3	Maths				
Period 4				Maths	
Period 5		Maths		English	

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Period 2	English	English		Science	
Period 3	Maths	Science			
Period 4				Maths	
Period 5	Science	Maths		English	

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Pathway 1 – GCSE Pathway

- Double Science for all except:
 - Separate Sciences (Biology, Chemistry & Physics)
 - Single Award only (plus Unit Award)

- 3 Electives from the following:

Art

Dance

Design & Technology

(Electronics/Food/Product Design/Textiles)

French

Geography

History

ICT

Music

PE

Photography

Spanish

Pathway 1 = 9 GCSEs

- English Language
- English Literature
- Maths
- Science (2 GCSEs)
- RS
- Electives (3 GCSEs)

Some students may also take Separate Sciences and/or an additional Maths qualification

Pathway 2 – Diploma Pathway

- **The Creative & Media Higher Diploma:**
 - 2 days per week study (including half a day at Mid-Cheshire College)
 - The County High School, Leftwich Higher Level Diploma will focus on:
Art & Design, Audio/Radio, Film & Television, Music, Photo-Imaging
 - worth 7½ GCSEs at Grades A*-C, providing progression to
Further/Higher Education
 - **Diploma Information Evening, Wednesday 4th February**

Pathway 2 – Diploma Pathway

- **Creative & Media Diploma** (Rudheath High School)
- **Business, Administration & Finance** (St Nicholas Catholic High School)
- **Construction** (Mid-Cheshire College & Vale Royal Skills Academy)
- **Engineering** (Verdin High School)
- **Environmental & Land-Based** (St Nicholas & Reaseheath College)

- all 2 days per week
- all at Higher Level (7½ A*-C Grades), providing progression to Further/Higher Education
- **Diploma Information Evenings, 3rd/4th/5th February**

Pathway 3 – Vocational Pathway

- Reaseheath College:
 - Agriculture
 - Animal Care
 - Construction
 - Equine Studies
 - Horticulture
 - Motor Vehicle Engineering
- Two Electives in School

How to decide...

- *Listen* to advice (assemblies, teachers, family, friends).
- *Read* advice (Upper School Course Booklets).
- Think about the subjects you *enjoy*, your *strengths* and your *interests*.
- Think how you feel about the *core activity* of a subject.

How not to decide...

- *Don't* choose a subject because your friend does.
- *Don't* choose or not choose a subject because you like (or dislike) a teacher.
- *Don't* choose or not choose a subject because of what your family or friends say about it.

The Electives Process

- **January**
 - Launch of Electives Process
 - Upper School Course Booklets & Electives Forms issued
- **Tuesday 20 January**
 - Electives Evening
- **February**
 - Subject Assemblies
 - Use of www.fast-tomato.com to analyse career implications of choices
- **Early March**
 - Tutor Interviews
- **Monday 9 March**
 - Deadline for submission of 'Elective Forms'
- **June**
 - Interviews with Mr Hill to confirm courses for Year 10