

Year 9 Options

Mrs L Measures
Assistant Headteacher

Common Subjects for all

- English – (2 GCSEs - Language and Literature)
- Maths (GCSE)
- Science - at least 2 GCSEs for all students
- EfL including core RS (non-exam)
- Core PE (non-exam)
- Geography and/or History

Science

Combined Science (Trilogy)

- Worth 2 GCSEs
- 6 exam papers: 2 Biology, 2 Chemistry and 2 Physics

Separate Sciences

- Three separate GCSEs in Biology, Chemistry and Physics
- 6 exam papers: 2 Biology, 2 Chemistry and 2 Physics

Both courses are designed to allow students to progress onto A level Sciences

An example Year 10 Timetable

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Period 1					
Period 2				<i>English</i>	
Period 3			<i>English</i>	<i>English</i>	
Period 4					
Period 5		<i>English</i>			

An example Year 10 Timetable

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Period 1					
Period 2				<i>English</i>	
Period 3			<i>English</i>	<i>English</i>	
Period 4					
Period 5		<i>English</i>			



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An example Year 10 Timetable

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Period 1				<i>Science</i>	
Period 2		<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>	
Period 3		<i>Maths</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Science</i>
Period 4	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>		<i>Maths</i>	
Period 5	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>			

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	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Period 1				<i>Science</i>	
Period 2		<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>	
Period 3	<i>EFL</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Science</i>
Period 4	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>		<i>Maths</i>	
Period 5	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>			

An example Year 10 Timetable

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Period 1		<i>MFL/Eng age</i>		<i>Science</i>	
Period 2	<i>MFL/Enga ge</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>	
Period 3	<i>EFL</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Science</i>
Period 4	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>		<i>Maths</i>	
Period 5	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>		<i>MFL/Enga ge</i>	

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	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Period 1		<i>MFL/Humanity</i>		<i>Science</i>	<i>Geo/Hist</i>
Period 2	<i>MFL/Humanity</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>	
Period 3	<i>EFL</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Science</i>
Period 4	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>		<i>Maths</i>	
Period 5	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>		<i>MFL/Humanity</i>	

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	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Period 1		<i>MFL/Humanity</i>	<i>PE</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>Geo/Hist</i>
Period 2	<i>MFL/Humanity</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>	
Period 3	<i>EFL</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Science</i>
Period 4	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>		<i>Maths</i>	
Period 5	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>		<i>MFL/Humanity</i>	

Options choices – 2 from the following list

Art & Design	GCSE PE
Computer Science	Photography
Design & Technology	RS
Food Preparation & Nutrition	Drama
Geography	Separate Science
History	BTEC DIT
Music	Dual languages (French and Spanish)

Vocational Qualifications

- Pearson BTEC Level 2 Tech Award in Digital Information Technology
- Some colleges currently only count GCSEs in their entry requirement.
- It is important to note, the curriculum that the vast majority of students will follow, provides them with a minimum of 7 GCSEs. This is currently more than most colleges' entry requirements. Therefore, selecting one or two vocational qualifications still means that all post-16 pathways remain open.
- Department for Education judges these qualifications to be high quality and of the same standard as GCSE subjects
- Good attendance is essential to this course as you will complete compulsory coursework/exams throughout Year 10 and Year 11. This has to be under the supervision of your teacher and cannot be caught up outside of school.

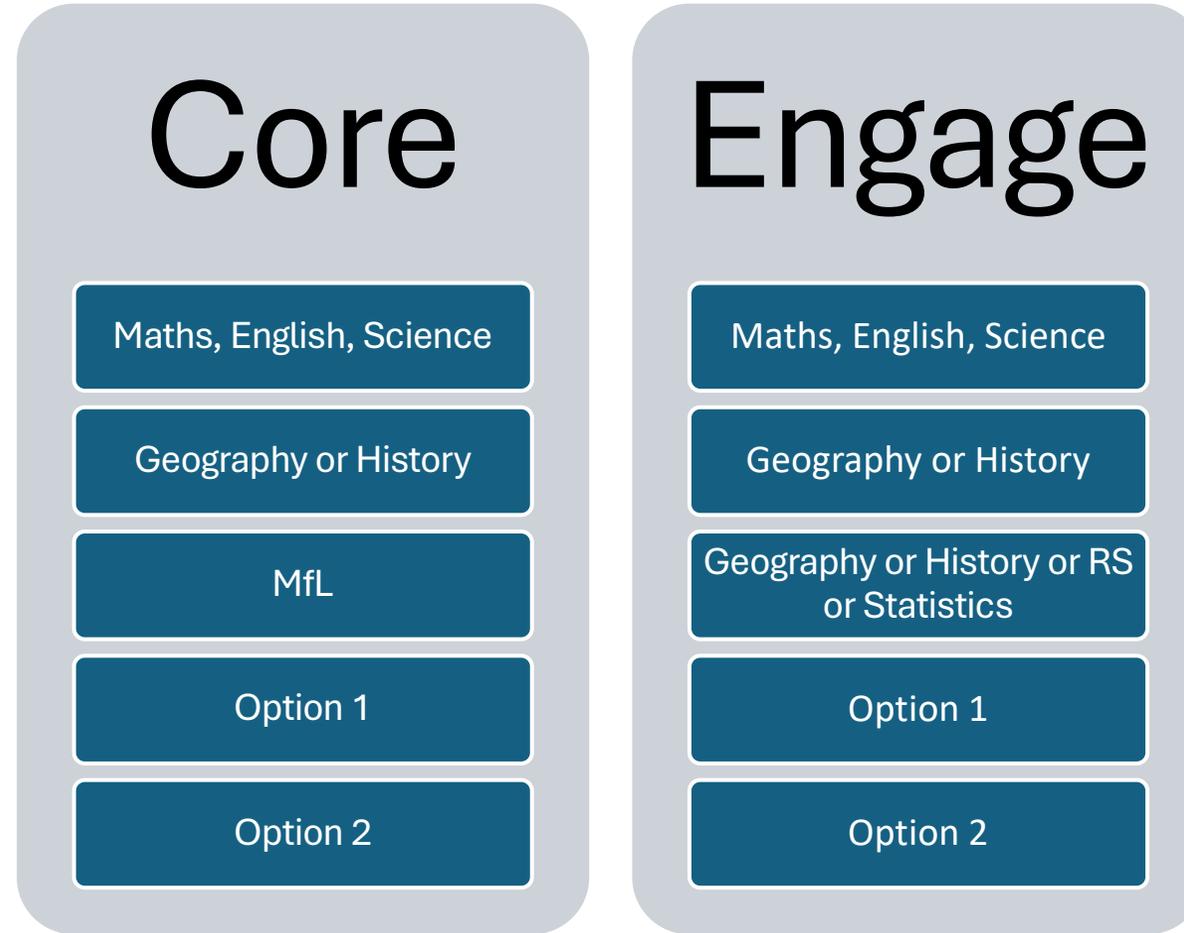
9 GCSE's or Qualifications

- English Language
- English Literature
- Maths
- Science (2 GCSEs)
- MfL or Option 3 from the Engage Pathway
- Geography or History
- Options (2 GCSEs/Vocational Qualifications)

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	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Period 1	<i>Option 1</i>	<i>MFL/Humanity</i>	<i>PE</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>Geo/Hist</i>
Period 2	<i>MFL/Humanity</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>	
Period 3	<i>EFL</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Science</i>
Period 4	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>Option 1</i>	<i>Maths</i>	<i>Option 2</i>
Period 5	<i>Science</i>	<i>English</i>		<i>MFL/Humanity</i>	

Students are placed into a pathway:



Students, Parents and Carers will be informed if their child has been selected for the Engage pathway following the Y9 Options evening.

How to complete your option requests

Students will receive a form during tutor time on Wednesday, please return this to your form tutor or bring it down to Mrs Measures or Miss Cutlers office.

Engage Pathway Options

Name _____

Tutor group _____

Students will study Mathematics, English Language, English Literature, Science, EFL (non-examined), and Core PE (non-examined).

Humanities GCSE choose 1 (circle it) Geography or History

In this pathway, students **will not** take a language. Instead, they will study two subjects from the list below. We may not run all 4 courses. Please rank the 4 subjects in order of preference. Please rank all four subjects (1 = first choice, 4 = fourth choice):

Geography	
History	
RS	
Statistics	

Core Pathway Options

Name _____

Tutor group _____

Students will study Mathematics, English Language, English Literature, Science, MFL, Geography or History, EFL (non-examined), and Core PE (non-examined).

- Humanities GCSE choose 1 (circle it) Geography or History
- Choose 2 Options (circle them) and 1 reserve (write reserve next to it) from:

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Outstanding

“Pupils benefit greatly from a broad,
ambitious and exciting curriculum.”

Ofsted (April 2022)

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Summary

The deadline for requests is **Friday 27th March**

It is important to note that option requests are not on a first come first served basis, but they do need to be made by **Friday 27th March**

- It is essential that you pick what you want to do and not what your friends have chosen.
- The timetable is based on your choices, it may mean that some courses do not run. You may not be able to change your mind at a later date.
- Talk to your parents, carers and teachers about the courses you are interested in.

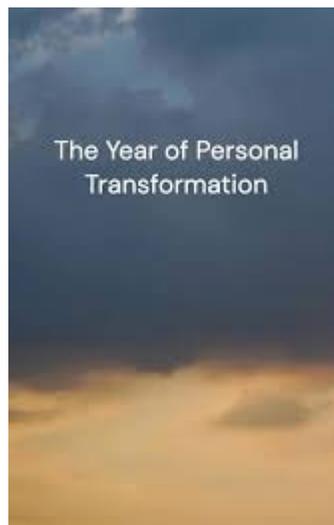
Year Leader- Mrs James



**Supporting students through
their Learning Journey**

What does that Learning Journey look like?

Year 8	<u>"The year to discover more"</u>	Explore who you are
Year 9	<u>"The year to discover becomes a year to grow"</u>	Personal Growth and Development
Year 10	<u>"The year to grow becomes a year to apply"</u>	Take action and apply yourselves
Year 11	<u>"The year to apply becomes the year to deliver"</u>	Focus on your future



Working as a team Supporting students to be the best version of themselves

Personal
Development
Curriculum

Quality First
Teaching and
Learning

Additional
Support

*It takes a
village to
raise a child....*

Year Team:
YL/ESWs
Tutors

Enrichment
Opportunities

Home





Why Are We Talking About Attendance?

- Attendance = Opportunity
- Every lesson counts
- Your habits now shape your future

The Numbers Matter

- 90% attendance = 1 day off every 2 weeks
- That's nearly 4 weeks of learning missed in a year
- Over 5 years = almost half a year of school missed

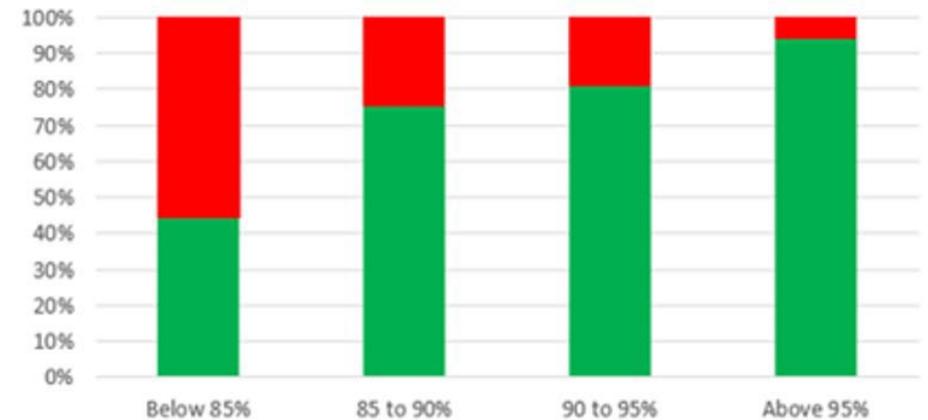
Attendance and GCSE Success

Students with:

- 95%+ attendance are far more likely to achieve strong GCSE grades
- Below 90% are much more likely to struggle

'Moments Matter; Attendance Counts'

Attendance impacting 4EM



Just 17 days absent from school a year could mean a drop in a GCSE grade in all subjects!

The Yr9 Calendar

Spring Term

- Achieving Excellence Assembly
- Charity non uniform day Wed 1st
- Sister Act Jr School Performance Wed 25th and Thurs 26th
- Ski Trip

Summer Term

- Progress Evening 14th May
- ST2s 8th June till 12th June
- CAP Trip- Further Education Institute 23rd June
- Whole year trip to Alton Towers