



KS4 Options Form 2017/18

“CHOOSING THE WAY FORWARD”

Completing the Options Form

Please complete the form on the opposite side of this sheet.

The following notes are guidance on completing the options form:

Option Block	Advice
Option A Humanity	Choose either Geography or History by ticking the box next to your subject choice.
Option B Modern Foreign Language (MFL) Or Option	<p>We believe that a broad and balanced curriculum should include both a Humanity and Modern Foreign Language (MFL) subject for the majority of our students. Therefore for the majority of our students this choice will be the MFL that they have studied since joining us in Year 7. When choosing a MFL please put a tick by your chosen Language.</p> <p>For a minority of students one of the subjects which have been shaded grey in this column may be chosen. These are mainly Technical Awards and selected specifically to support those students who will go on to gain qualifications at Level 1 (grades 3 to 1). If choosing a subject which is in the grey section choices need to be numbered not ticked. Please indicate your first choice subject with “1st” and a reserve subject choice by writing “2nd” in the boxes beside the subjects.</p>
Option C Free Choice	<p>One free choice needs to be made in Option C.</p> <p>Numbers will be required in this column. As timetabling of this wide range of subjects will be difficult please indicate the priority of your choices as “1st” and two reserve subjects “2nd” and “3rd”.</p> <p>If you would like to do two languages for GCSE, these are the available routes: <u>Dual languages French and German</u> – to do this option you must already be a dual linguist in year 9 OR you speak the language you haven’t learnt at school at home. Pick each language as a separate option in the blocks. <u>Dual Languages French with Spanish OR German with Spanish</u> For this option, you pick your year 9 Language as an option and then choose Spanish as your dual language option. You do not have to have learnt Spanish at school to choose this as your second MFL, but you do need to be achieving well in your French/German lessons and will need your teacher to recommend you for this course. The GCSE will involve learning Spanish from scratch, so you will be expected to work hard to make rapid progress towards your target grade. As with all GCSE options, there will be summer work between year 9 and year 10 which will prepare you with the Spanish basics. The subject outline for Spanish is the same as French and German. Therefore in the last box, please also write the second language you wish to study.</p>

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Name of Student _____ Tutor Group _____

Student's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____ Tutor's Signature _____

From **Option A** please choose a **Humanity Subject**.

From **Option B** please choose a **MFL or Option**. Please see the Possible Pathways on page 5 of the booklet for guidance about the subjects in the shaded section. Please tick your MFL choice, but if you are choosing a subject from the shaded area choose **one subject** and number your choice **1st**, then choose **one** reserve and put **2nd** by your reserve subject.

For **Options C**, please choose **one subject** and number your choice **1st**, then choose **two** reserves and put **2nd** & **3rd** by your reserve subjects.

As always, we will try to give you the subjects you want but we cannot guarantee this.

Option A		Option B		Option C	
Humanity		MFL or Option		Choose one subject and two reserves	
Geography (GCSE)		French (GCSE)		Art, Craft & Design (GCSE)	
History (GCSE)		German (GCSE)		Business Studies (GCSE)	
		Art, Craft & Design (GCSE)		Computer Science (GCSE)	
		Constructing the Built Environment (Technical Award)		Dance (GCSE)	
		Food & Cookery (Technical Award)		Food Preparation & Nutrition (GCSE)	
		Ingot ICT User Skills (Technical Award)		Design & Technology (GCSE)	
		Performance Studies (Technical Award)		Drama (GCSE)	
		Travel & Tourism (Technical Award)		Health & Social Care (Technical Award)	
				Media Studies (GCSE)	
				Music (GCSE)	
				Religious Studies (GCSE)	
				Sports Science (Technical Award)	
				Sports Studies – Physical Ed. (GCSE)	
				Separate Sciences, this will be the third GCSE in Science	
				Second Humanity: History or Geography (GCSE)	
				Second MFL _____ (GCSE)	

Wednesday 18th January
Options Assembly and options booklets issued

Thursday 26th January
Year 9 Options Evening 6.30pm

Wednesday 1st February
Year 9 Parents' Evening 3.30pm

Monday 6th February
Option forms signed and returned to your child's tutor