

**2020/21**

**Understanding Students' Timetables Year 8**

At the beginning of Year 8 students were divided into three populations, which are known as X, Y and Z. These populations are broadly balanced by ability; each population has a top set and two of the populations have smaller, slower moving sets.

The table below outlines how each subject is grouped.

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Year 8 X, Y &amp; Z</b>
<b>Art, Craft &amp; Design (At)</b>	The students are arranged in four mixed ability, equal sized classes, in each population. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then a colour e.g. At Blue or At Jade. Linked to Design & Technology, Performing Arts, EPiC and Life Education groupings.
<b>Computing (Co)</b>	The students are grouped into four classes, in each population; these have been broadly set using the Plymstock Pathways. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then a Greek letter e.g. Co Beta or Co Omega. Linked to Mathematics and Science groups.
<b>Design &amp; Technology (Dt)</b>	The students are arranged in four mixed ability, equal sized classes, in each population. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then a colour e.g. Dt Blue or Dt Jade. Linked to Art, Performing Arts, EPiC and Life Education groupings.
<b>English</b>	The students are grouped into four classes, in each population; these have been broadly set using the Plymstock Pathways. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then a Tor e.g. En Claig or En Holne. Linked to Humanities and MFL groups.
<b>EPiC (Ethics, Philosophy &amp; Culture) (Ep)</b>	The students are arranged in four mixed ability, equal sized classes, in each population. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then a colour e.g. Ep Blue or Ep Jade. Linked to Art, Design & Technology, Performing Arts and Life Education groupings.
<b>Humanities (Geography and History) (Ge &amp; Hi)</b>	The students are grouped into four classes, in each population; these have been broadly set using the Plymstock Pathways. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then a Tor e.g. Ge Claig or Hi Holne. Linked to English and MFL groups.
<b>Life Education (Lf)</b>	The students are arranged in four mixed ability, equal sized classes, in each population. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then a colour e.g. Lf Blue or Lf Jade. Linked to Art, Design & Technology, Performing Arts and EPiC groupings.
<b>Mathematics (Ma)</b>	The students are grouped into four classes, in each population; these have been broadly set using the Plymstock Pathways. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then with a Greek letter e.g. Ma Beta or Ma Omega. Linked to Computing and Science groups.
<b>MFL (French) (Fr)</b>	Groups have a 2 digit subject code and then a Tor e.g. Fr Claig or Fr Holne. Linked to English and Humanities groups.
<b>Performing Arts (Drama and Music) (Dr &amp; Mu)</b>	The students are arranged in four mixed ability, equal sized classes, in each population. Groups are named with a 2 digit subject code and then a colour e.g. Dr Blue or Mu Jade. Linked to Art, Design & Technology, EPiC and Life Education groupings.
<b>Physical Education (Pe)</b>	Each population is arranged into four groups, in each population: two female and two male.
<b>Science (Sc)</b>	The students are grouped into four classes, in each population; these have been broadly set using the Plymstock Pathways. Groups are named with a subject code and then a Greek letter e.g. Sc Beta or Sc Omega. Linked to Computing and Mathematics groups.

N.B. Progress is regularly monitored and setting reviewed.