



## INTRODUCING OPTIONS

### Year 8 into Year 9

April	Introducing Options 2015 leaflet sent out
May	Options letter sent out, option assembly with Year 8, <b>Year 8 Options Review and Parents' Event</b> . Option form and information booklet given to all parents attending.
June	Deadline for return of Option form
July	Confirmation of Options letter sent to all parents

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In Year 9 your child has to study:

- English
- Maths
- Science
- PE
- Person
- History
- Geography
- Spanish

and TWO other subjects

Your child will choose in MAY which two other subjects they will study in Year 9 from the following list:

- Art
- Catering
- Dance OR Drama
- Music
- ICT
- Media Studies
- Resistant Materials

At the end of Year 9 your child will make further choices as to which subjects they will study to GCSE/BTEC level.

## HOW SHOULD YOUR CHILD DECIDE?

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You and your child need to think about:

1. What subjects do they find interesting?
2. What subjects do they have a particular talent in?
3. Any possible career plans they may have?

But whatever they choose does not stop them doing any course when they leave us at 16 and go to college or on to apprenticeships.

## ATTENDANCE

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Good attendance is vital for good examination grades. Missing 2 days means missing 3 HOURS of GCSE English and Maths.

An attendance rate of even 90% means your child will be missing 38 GCSE English and Maths lessons in a year.

## FINAL CAUTION

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1. If your child picks an option very few students pick then we may have to cancel the option and your child will be asked to re-opt.
2. If your child picks an option which is very, very popular the option may be full and your child may have to re-opt.

## SAMPLE OPTION FORM SUMMER 2015 (Year 8 into Year 9)

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Choose TWO subjects from the list with a tick.

Your CANNOT choose the same subject TWICE.

You can only choose ONE of DANCE or DRAMA.

Art	
Catering	
Dance	
Drama	
ICT	
Media Studies	
Resistant Materials	