

Y9 Course Choice Evening



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- Information on the compulsory section of study for Y10 and Y11
- Information on what to think about before making choices
- The process
- How to fill in the online form
- Support, advice and guidance



The CORE Curriculum

- Maths
- English Literature and English Language
- Science
- Core PE
- PSRE



Routes through science

There are two routes through science which are as follows:

AQA Combined Science (Trilogy)

- This leads to the equivalent of two GCSEs and covers a combination of all three subject areas

AQA Separate Sciences

- This leads to three separate GCSEs in Biology, Chemistry and Physics

The route you will follow is determined by the science faculty to get the best results for you



Making your choices

Things to consider

- Do you enjoy the subject?
- How is the course assessed?
e.g. 100% exam or 60% Non
Examined Assessment + 40% exam
- Have you chosen a broad and
balanced range of subjects?
- Have you suitably challenged
yourself?
- What are your aspirations and
interests post 16?



Help and support

- [Year 9 Options booklet](#)
- [Subject presentations](#)
- Teachers
- Parents' evening
- Tutors
- Careers advice - Ms Brown
- Mr Rumble
- Dr Simpson



The Options System

- If you have a sibling in Y11 or above, the way you make your choices has changed from the way they did it
- There are no pathways
- All students get the same option form and the same choices
- A very small number of students will follow a vocational route and Mr Harrison, Mrs Wilson or Mr Rumble will have spoken to you and your parents individually



Things to note

Physical Education

- If you want to do a PE qualification then select the Physical Education box
- PE teachers will make the selection about which course you should follow based on what they know about you and which course will suit you best – trust them!

Languages

- Most suitable for those of you who are studying the language this year
- If you want to take a language that you are not currently studying then you should speak to your subject teachers before completing the option form



Will you get all four of your choices?

Most of you will be able to have all of your choices however, sometimes we are not able to give you a particular subject because:

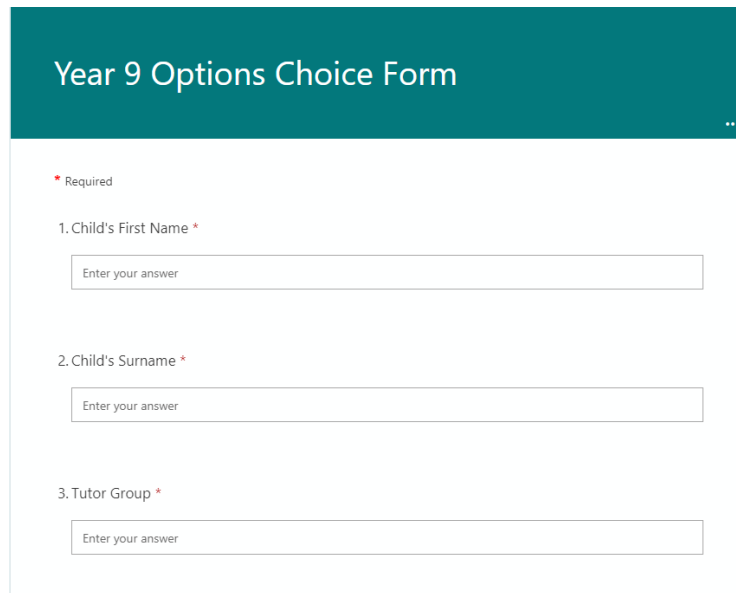
- Not enough people request it to make up a class
- More people ask for it than the available teachers or facilities can cope with
- It is not possible to timetable the mix of courses you have chosen
- You may opt for a course which, in the judgement of teachers, is not well suited to you



Filling in the form

On-line [Option Form](#) this year

- This year, the Y9 Options Form will be completed electronically.
- To access this form, please click on the link in the title on this page.
- The first part of the form asks you to complete your name and tutor group



The screenshot shows a web form titled "Year 9 Options Choice Form" with a teal header. Below the header, there is a "Required" section with three numbered questions, each followed by a text input field. The questions are: "1. Child's First Name *", "2. Child's Surname *", and "3. Tutor Group *". Each input field contains the placeholder text "Enter your answer".

Year 9 Options Choice Form

Required

1. Child's First Name *

Enter your answer

2. Child's Surname *

Enter your answer

3. Tutor Group *

Enter your answer

Question 4 on the form

- You will then be asked to choose one of six subjects – you must pick one of these subjects

4. You must pick one subject from the following list *

Computer Science

French

Geography

German

History

Spanish

Question 5 on the form

- Next, you will be asked to pick three additional subjects – do not duplicate a subject from the previous question

5. You now need to pick an additional 3 subjects from the following list - this cannot include the subject that has been chosen in question 4. If you have been spoken to about the vocational course then you need to pick two subjects in addition to checking the vocational button *

- Art
- Business
- Computer Science/IT
- Creative Digital Media
- Design Technology
- Dance
- Drama
- Food Preparation and Nutrition
- French
- Geography
- German
- History
- Health and Social care
- Music
- Physical Education
- Religious Studies
- Spanish
- Vocational



Subjects with more than one qualification

- We have several subject areas that offer more than one type of qualification.
 - Art
 - Business
 - Computing
 - DT
- You cannot take more than one qualification in each of these areas therefore, the next four questions on the form ask you to choose which qualification in each subject area you would like to study if you have chosen that subject.
- Physical Education does offer two different qualifications, but the route that students follow will be determined by the PE faculty. They know best which qualification suits students in order that students achieve the best possible outcomes.

Questions 6, 7, 8 and 9 on the form

- The next four questions on the form ask you to choose which qualification in each area you would like to study.


6. If you chose Art in question 5, which Art subject would you like to study? *

- Art, Craft and Design
- Fine Art
- Textile Design
- I've not chosen an Art subject

- If however, you did not chose Art in question 5 then please select the button beside the statement 'I've not chosen an Art subject'

Questions 6, 7, 8 and 9 on the form

- Business / Business and Enterprise

7. If you chose Business in question 5, which Business subject would you like to study? * 

- Business Studies
- Business and Enterprise
- I've not chosen a Business subject

- If however, you did not chose Business in question 5 then please select the button beside the statement 'I've not chosen a Business subject'

Questions 6, 7, 8 and 9 on the form

- Computer Science / Creative iMedia (IT)

8. If you chose Computing/IT in question 5, which subject would you like to study?

If you have chosen Computer Science in question 4, you cannot choose either of these subjects here. *

Computer Science

Creative iMedia (IT)

I've not chosen a Computing/IT subject

- If however, you did not chose Computing in question 5 then please select the button beside the statement 'I've not chosen a Computing/IT subject'

Questions 6, 7, 8 and 9 on the form

- You will need to choose which DT subject you want to study.
- For instance, you cannot choose Graphics and Resistant materials.


9. If you chose Design Technology in question 5 which Design Technology subject would you like to study? *

- Graphic Products
- Resistant Materials
- Textiles
- I've not chosen a DT subject

- The reason for this is that the exam for these subjects is identical in part. However, you are able to take a DT subject and Food if you want to.
- If you did not chose DT in question 5 then please select the button beside the statement 'I've not chosen an DT subject'

Question 10 on the form – Reserve choice

- Just in case there is a situation where we cannot give you one of your four choices, we need you to choose a reserve subject. This cannot be one of the subjects you have already chosen.

10. You now need to pick a RESERVE subject from the following list - this cannot include any of the subjects that you have already chosen * 

- Art
- Business
- Computer Science/IT
- Creative Digital Media
- Design Technology
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Signing off the Option Form

11. Parent Name * 

Enter your answer

12. Please confirm that you have spoken with your child about their options choices *

I have spoken through my child's options with them

Submit

Remember

- Careers are not made or broken in Year 9
- Keep a broad selection of subjects
- Challenge yourself
- Do what you enjoy and what you are good at
- Take all the help, support, advice and guidance available to you
- Read the booklet and watch the presentations
- Fill in your option form correctly including all three signatures
- Make the deadline!



Dates for your diary

- Deadline for options form
 - **Monday 8th March**



Questions

