

Year 8 and 9 Options 2024



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Assistant Principal

*“The secret of success is to be ready
when your opportunity comes”
Benjamin Disraeli*

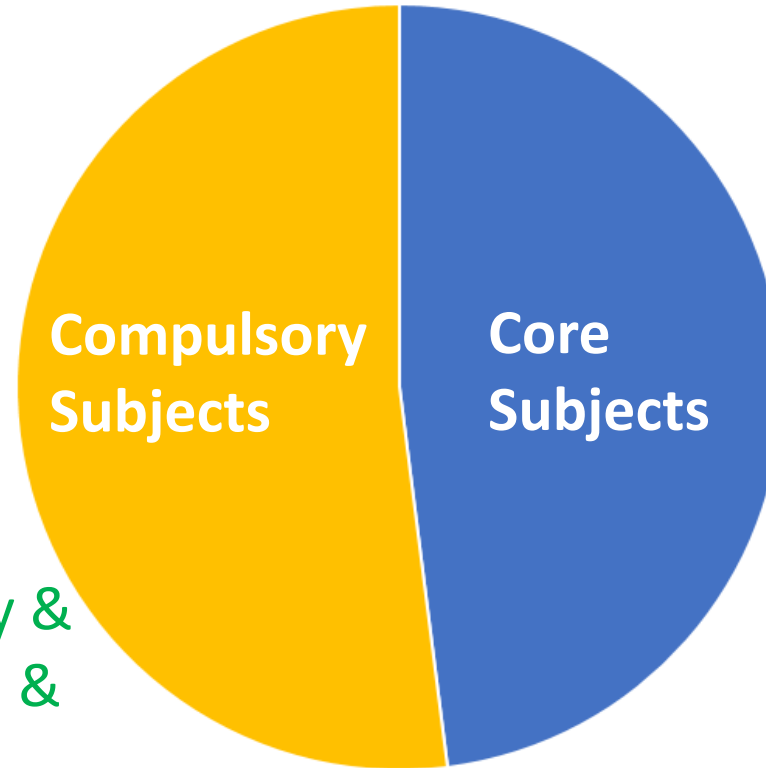


1. The school curriculum for year 8, 9 and GCSE.
2. An outline of the options process.
3. Advice and guidance on how to make these choices.
4. Identify where to find further information.



Compulsory Subjects

- 5 periods of French or Spanish
- 3 periods of History
- 3 periods of Geography
- 2 periods of Computing
- 1 period of Literacy
- 3 periods of Design Technology & Engineering / Food Preparation & Nutrition
- 2 Periods of Drama
- 2 Periods of Music
- 2 Periods of Art
- 1 Period of Dance



Core Subjects

- 7 periods of English
- 6 periods of Maths
- 6 periods of Science
- 2 periods of RS
- 4 periods of PE
- 1 period of PSHE

There is no element of choice.

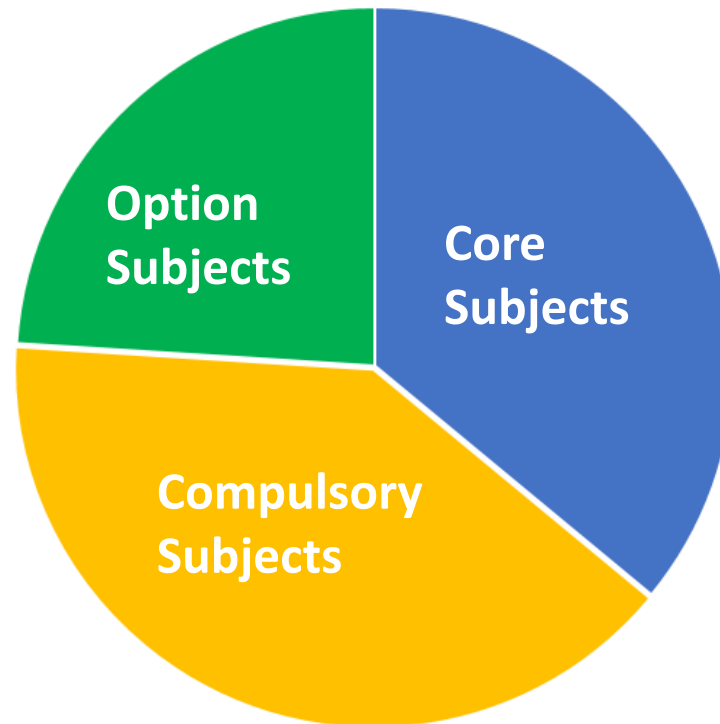


Core Subjects

- 7 periods of English
- 7 periods of Maths
- 6 periods of Science
- 2 periods of RS
- 4 periods of PE
- 1 period of PSHE

Option Subjects

- 3 periods for each for your 4 options subjects.



Compulsory Subjects

- 5 periods of French or Spanish
- 3 periods of History
- 3 periods of Geography



Technology Subjects

Computer Science
Design & Technology
Food Preparation & Nutrition

Arts Subjects

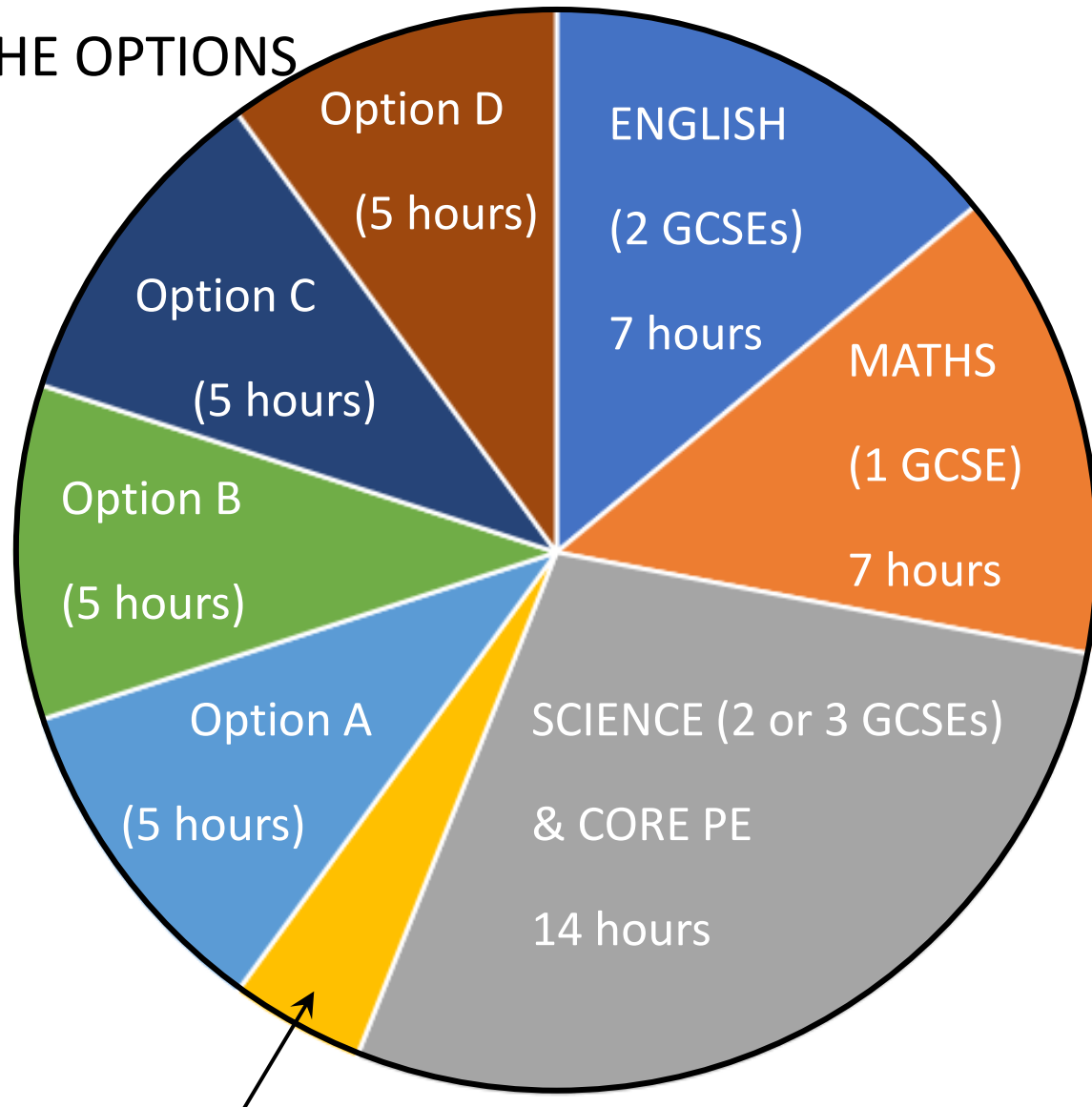
Art & Design
Dance
Drama
Music

The Rules for Selection

- You can choose 4
- You must select from both groups
- You must choose it now if you wish to study the subject in Years 10 & 11.



THE OPTIONS



PSHE and Ethics (not examined) – 2 hours

COMBINED SCIENCE

(2 GCSEs) – 10 hours

CORE PE

(not examined) – 4 hours

or BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY & PHYSICS

(3 GCSEs) – 12 hours

CORE PE

(not examined) – 2 hours

The science department make this decision in discussion with you.



Option Subjects from Year 9

Art & Design

Dance

Drama

Music

Computing

Design & Technology

Engineering*

Food Preparation & Nutrition

*Only available if you are
studying it in Year 9*

Other Options

French

Spanish

Geography

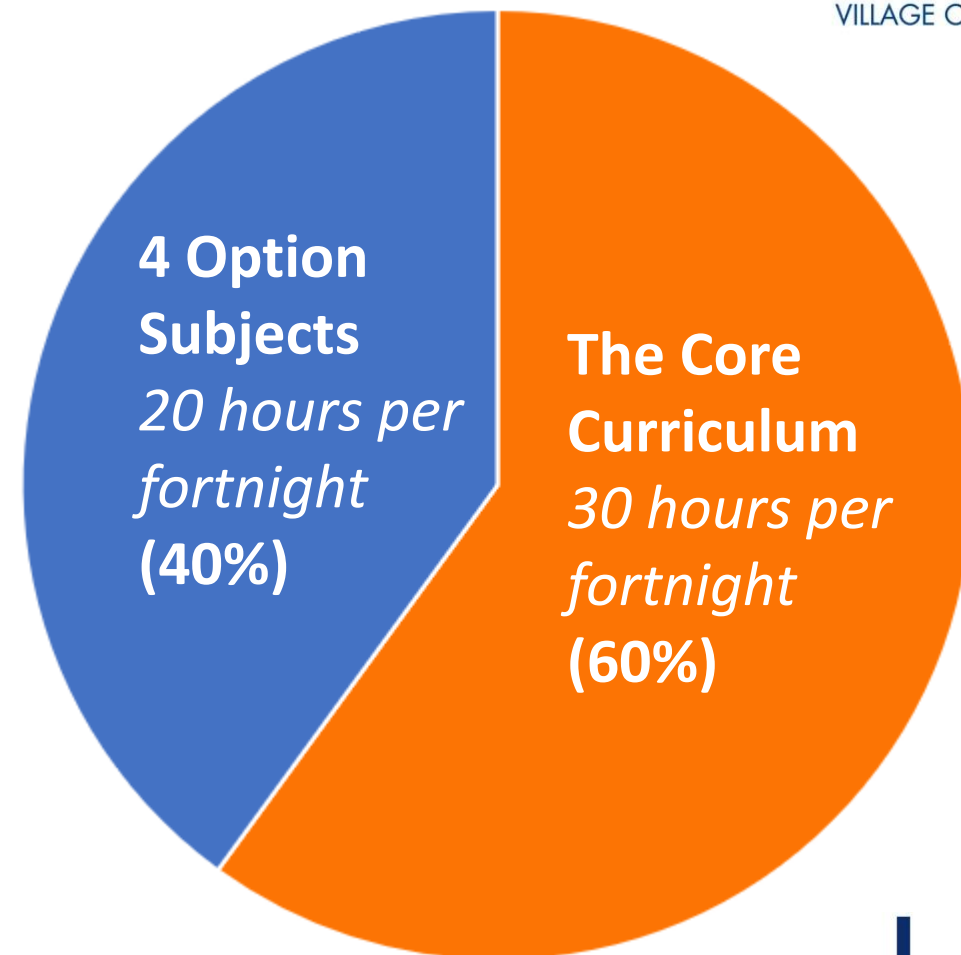
History

*Health & Social Care

Physical Education

Religious Studies

Statistics



Year 8 into 9

- **Year 8 into 9 Options Launch Assembly**
Tuesday 30th January
- **Options book and videos published**
w/c 12th February
- **Options Form available on Satchel:One**
Monday 4th March
- **Options Submissions Deadline**
Monday 18th March

Year 9 into GCSE

- **GCSE Options Launch Assembly**
Wednesday 31st January
- **Options book and videos published**
w/c 12th February
- **Options Form available on Satchel:One**
Monday 4th March
- **Parent-Teacher Evening**
Thursday 21st March
- **Options Submissions Deadline**
Monday 25th March

Tonight!

- **Parent-Tutor and Options Evening**
Thursday 29th February





- Computer Science – Being confident mathematically is helpful.
- Drama and Dance – You are expected to perform in front of others and work in a group.
- Food Preparation & Nutrition, Design & Technology and Engineering are all limited in group size for Health & Safety reasons.
- All qualifications are equal. No subject is any easier than another.
- Both Combined Science and Triple Science allow further study at A-level and beyond.



- Choose the subject not the teacher
- Do not choose a subject just because your friend is.
- You will not be able to changing courses once the school year starts. You are expected to complete all courses you start.
- How do the clubs or groups you are part of outside of College complement your choices?

The ranking of your choices is important.

- Some subjects will be oversubscribed, and not all students will get in.
- Some subjects may have insufficient interest, and will then not run.
- Some combinations of subjects will not be possible.

There is no guarantee that you will get your top four subjects.

We will do our best.



We promote the English Baccalaureate at GCSE.

- English
- Maths
- Two Sciences (sciences and/or computing)
- A Humanities subject (History or Geography)
- Modern Foreign Language (French or Spanish)

Completing these 6 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above achieves the 'English Baccalaureate'.

All students are expected to study history or geography.

Most students will study French or Spanish



- Many courses still have controlled assessment/coursework, referred to as **Non-Examination Assessments (NEA)**.
- All GCSEs have an exam element which is taken in the Summer of Year 11.
- Only Maths, Science, Statistics and MFL have Higher and Foundation tiers.
- All GCSEs are graded on a 1-9 scale.





YEAR 9

OPTIONS SUBJECT VIDEOS

In Year 9, all students continue to follow a broad and balanced curriculum, enriched by the students' ability to tailor the subjects they study in the Technology and Arts faculties.

All students in Year 9 go through a second and final stage of choosing their options for Key Stage 4 with the help and guidance of parents and teachers.

Options Subject Videos

YEARS 7 AND 8

OPTIONS SUBJECT VIDEOS

Art

Mrs Myles-Baker

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Dance

Mrs Frost

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CURRICULUM ▾ PARENTS ▾

Curriculum Rationale

Years 7 and 8

Year 9

Years 10 and 11

Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)

Please use the links below to access information about post-16 choices for Year 11 students and their parents. If you have any questions about post-16 education and careers, please contact [Ian Simmons](#), Careers Lead & Post-16 Coordinator.

Post 16 Launch Presentation

Aptitude Test: <https://www.whatcareerisrightforme.com>

Careers information: <https://careerpilot.org.uk/>


Information about university options: [Russell Group: Informed Choices](#)

Technical Education and Apprenticeship Providers:

[Youthoria](#) has help and advice on a wide range of issues affecting young people including the transition from LVC to sixth form education and the world of work.

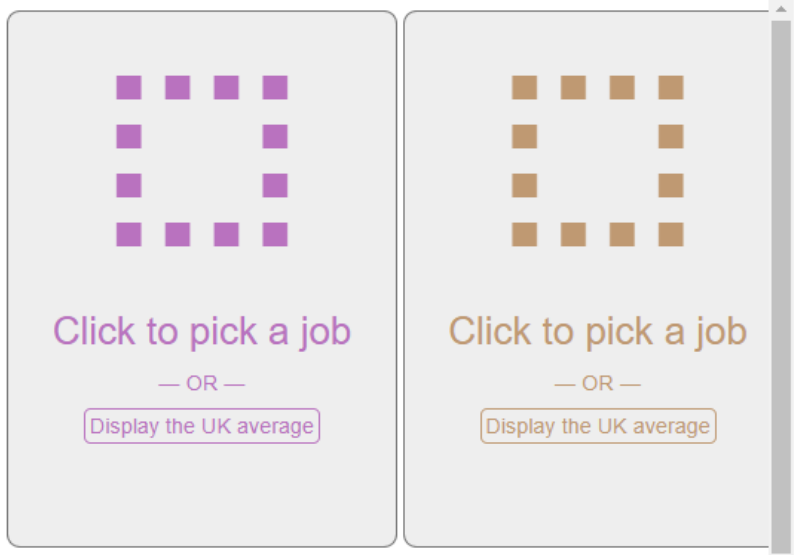
Apprenticeships: [Apprenticeships](#)

'WHAT TYPE OF CAREERS?'



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What is it all about?



Two interactive buttons for job selection. The left button has a purple grid of 12 squares and the text "Click to pick a job" in purple. Below it is a purple button labeled "Display the UK average". The right button has a brown grid of 12 squares and the text "Click to pick a job" in brown. Below it is a brown button labeled "Display the UK average". Between the two buttons is the text "-- OR --".

