

# Year 8

## Course Selection Evening 2019



**‘Believe, Achieve, Inspire’**

**Mrs Brothers – Deputy Head Teacher**

**Mrs H Martin – Assistant Head Teacher**

# Compulsory Subjects

GCSE English Language

GCSE Maths

GCSE English Literature

GCSE Science (2)

GCSE French

GCSE History or GCSE Geography

EBACC  
Subjects

GCSE RE (Taken in Year 10)

Non GCSE PE

PSHCE

# Option Subjects: 2 From...

- GCSE Art and Design/GCSE Art and Design - Textiles
- GCSE Computer Science
- GCSE Drama
- GCSE Food and Nutrition
- GCSE Geography
- GCSE German
- GCSE History
- GCSE equivalent IT
- GCSE Media Studies
- GCSE Music
- GCSE PE
- GCSE Spanish
- GCSE Technology
- GCSE Triple Science

# Why choose in Year 8?

- Starting GCSE in year 9 will enable pupils to build up skills and confidence in the optional subjects.
- Will allow those who realise they have made a mistake in their choice to have the possibility to change courses early without losing time from the course that cannot easily be redeemed later.
- Pupils will be more motivated in subjects that they have chosen.
- Teacher-pupil ratio will be reduced. Learning will therefore be more effective in a school that is heavily oversubscribed.
- GCSE courses are content heavy.

# Why study the Core Subjects?

- It is important for the world that we live in to have a second language.
- Learning a language significantly develops key communication skills.
- Communicate with others effectively.
- Prepares us for the world of work.
- Helps us to understand past people and societies so we can understand the world we live in today.
- Helps us to explain and understand problems.
- Develops skills for life.

# Why study the Ebacc?

- The government thinks it is important to study the academic subjects listed in the English Baccalaureate.
- 90% of GCSE pupils will be choosing this pathway by 2025.
- It can help improve a young person's performance in both English and Mathematics (Sutton Trust).
- It enhances the prospects for entering further education or employment (UCL Institute of Education).
- It is looked on very favourably by universities.

# Key Dates

**March 22<sup>nd</sup> - Year 8 Reports issued**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Option Form to be returned to Form Tutor**

# **This Evening - Plan**

**7.00: Introduction in Hall - Mrs Brothers and Mrs Martin**

**GCSE History – Mrs Martin**

**GCSE Geography – Mr Hanson**

**Bell to ring at 7.38**

**7.40: Session 1**

**Bell to ring at 7.58**

**8.00: Session 2**

**Bell to ring at 8.18**

**8.20: Session 3**

**Bell to ring at 8.38**



<b>SESSION 1</b>	<b>SESSION 2</b>	<b>SESSION 3</b>	<b>LED BY/ROOM</b>
<b>INDIVIDUAL ADVICE</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL ADVICE</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL ADVICE</b>	<b>HM/MB HALL</b>
<b>SEN ADVICE/ASDAN</b>	<b>SEN ADVICE/ASDAN</b>	<b>SEN ADVICE/ASDAN</b>	<b>SA/KW R12</b>
<b>COMPUTER SCIENCE</b>	<b>COMPUTER SCIENCE</b>	<b>COMPUTER SCIENCE</b>	<b>SM L1</b>
<b>IT</b>	<b>IT</b>	<b>IT</b>	<b>BR L2</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>MWN R4</b>
<b>FOOD AND NUTRITION</b>	<b>FOOD AND NUTRITION</b>	<b>FOOD AND NUTRITION</b>	<b>SW L3</b>
<b>ART AND DESIGN</b>	<b>ART AND DESIGN</b>	<b>ART AND DESIGN</b>	<b>RK L5</b>
<b>PE</b>	<b>PE</b>	<b>PE</b>	<b>PC LIBRARY</b>
<b>TRIPLE SCIENCE</b>	<b>TRIPLE SCIENCE</b>	<b>TRIPLE SCIENCE</b>	<b>KI L4</b>
<b>MUSIC</b>	<b>MUSIC</b>		<b>SB R10</b>
<b>2<sup>ND</sup> LANGUAGE</b>	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> LANGUAGE</b>		<b>CR R6</b>
<b>TEXTILES</b>	<b>TEXTILES</b>		<b>LM L9</b>
<b>DRAMA</b>	<b>DRAMA</b>		<b>CF L11</b>
<b>MEDIA STUDIES</b>	<b>MEDIA STUDIES</b>		<b>LW L10</b>