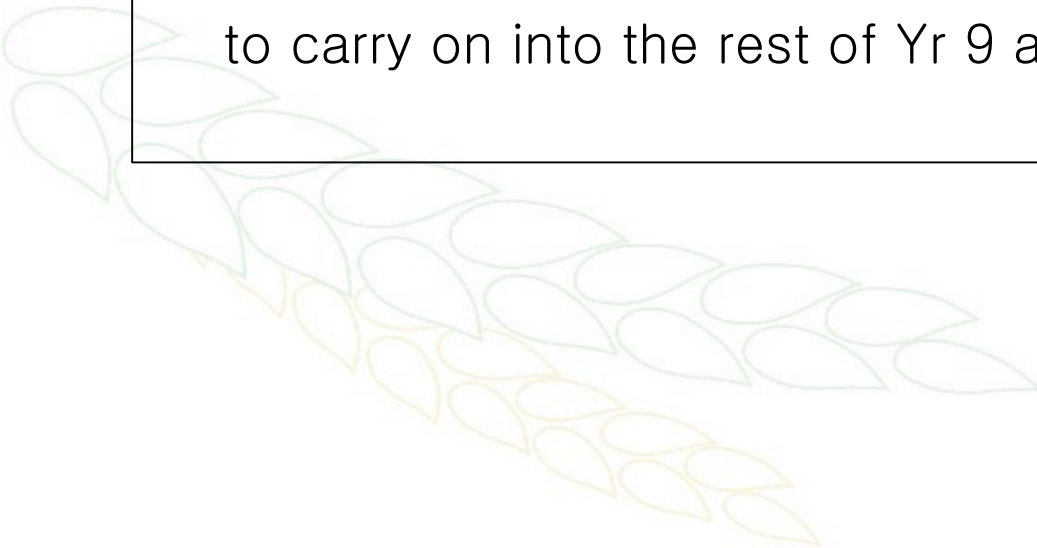


Year 8 Options Evening



April 2021

Year 8–9 Options

- This year students will choose 8 options from 4 option blocks
 - Students will study 4 options (1 from each block) in the first half term of Yr 9
 - Students will study their remaining 4 options in the second half term of Year 9
 - In December students will select the 4 options they would like to carry on into the rest of Yr 9 and into GCSE
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Qualifications Phase – Curriculum Options and pathways

Students will study:

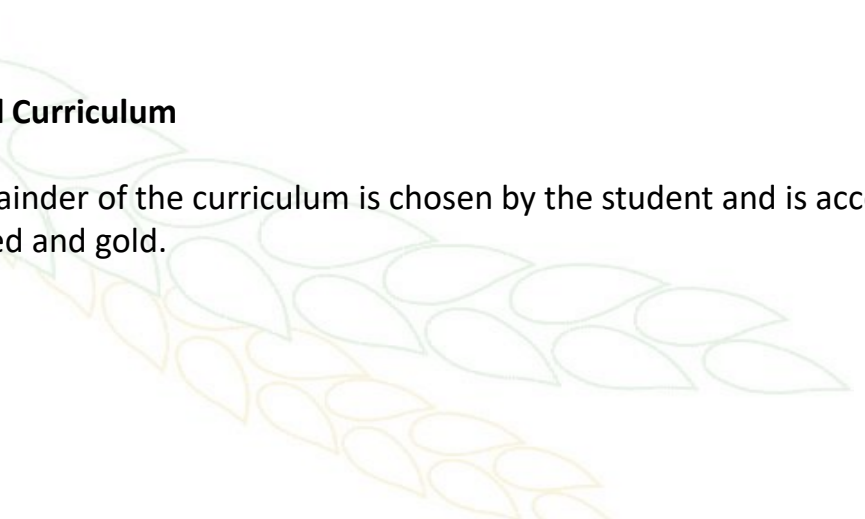
- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Science
- An 'EBACC' subject or Citizenship/AQA Step up to English to Qualification

In addition they will have:

- Two hours of physical education every week.
- PSHCE, RE and learning skills which will be delivered through the pastoral programme.

Optional Curriculum

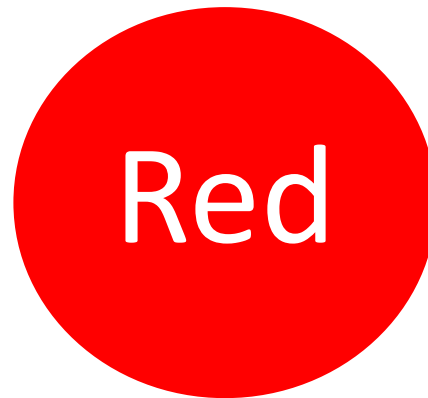
The remainder of the curriculum is chosen by the student and is accessed through one of the three pathways, green, red and gold.





3 pathways

- Red
- Green
- Gold



English Language, English
Literature, Science and
Maths



Students will then select a
further 8 options (which will
then become 4 in Dec of Yr 9)



All students must select one
of the following EBACC
subjects:

- Computer Science
- Geography
- History
- German
- Spanish
- French
- Triple Science

3 pathways

- Red
- Green
- Gold



Green

English Language,
English Literature,
Science and Maths

Students will study:
Citizenship OR
AQA Certificate -Step up to
English

Students will then
select a further 6
options (which will
become 3 in Dec of
Yr 9)



3 pathways

- Red
- Green
- Gold

Gold



English Language,
English Literature,
Science and
Maths



The students will have
the option of attending
Reaseheath College in
Year 10/11 to study an
external vocational
qualification.



Students will
complete AQA Unit
awards and entry
level certificates.

Option blocks

At Christmas in Year 9 students will choose from each block ONE of their chosen two subjects

Block 1

Drag your first and second choice from block 1 subjects.

Art Graphics Business Creative iMedia Design and Technology Drama Food and Nutrition French
Geography History Music PE Triple Science

Block 2

Drag your first and second choice from block 2 subjects.

Art and Design Creative iMedia Computer Science Drama Design and Technology Food and Nutrition
Geography History Media Studies PE Spanish

Option blocks

Block 3

Drag your first and second choice from block 3 subjects.

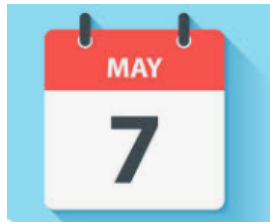
Art and Design BTEC Enterprise Computer Science Design and Technology Food and Nutrition Spanish
Geography German History Media Studies Music Technology PE

Block 4

Drag your first and second choice from block 4 subjects.

Business Creative iMedia Computer Science Design and Technology Food and Nutrition French
Geography History PE Photography Religious Studies Triple Science

Example – Year 8–9 Options



Block 1

Drag your first and second choice from block 1 subjects.

Art Graphics Business Creative iMedia Design and Technology Drama Food and Nutrition French
Geography History Music PE Triple Science

Block 2

Drag your first and second choice from block 2 subjects.

Art and Design Creative iMedia Computer Science Drama Design and Technology Food and Nutrition
Geography History Media Studies PE Spanish

Block 3

Drag your first and second choice from block 3 subjects.

Art and Design BTEC Enterprise Computer Science Design and Technology Food and Nutrition Spanish
Geography German History Media Studies Music Technology PE

Block 4

Drag your first and second choice from block 4 subjects.

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Geography History PE Photography Religious Studies Triple Science

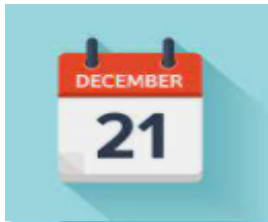
Block 1
Art and Business

Block 2
History and PE

Block 3
Computer Science and Media

Block 4
French and RE

Example – Options in December Year 9



Block 1

Drag your first and second choice from block 1 subjects.

Art Graphics Business Creative iMedia Design and Technology Drama Food and Nutrition French
Geography History Music PE Triple Science

Block 2

Drag your first and second choice from block 2 subjects.

Art and Design Creative iMedia Computer Science Drama Design and Technology Food and Nutrition
Geography History Media Studies PE Spanish

Block 3

Drag your first and second choice from block 3 subjects.

Art and Design BTEC Enterprise Computer Science Design and Technology Food and Nutrition Spanish
Geography German History Media Studies Music Technology PE

Block 4

Drag your first and second choice from block 4 subjects.

Business Creative iMedia Computer Science Design and Technology Food and Nutrition French
Geography History PE Photography Religious Studies Triple Science

Block 1

Art

Block 2

PE

Block 3

Computer Science

Block 4

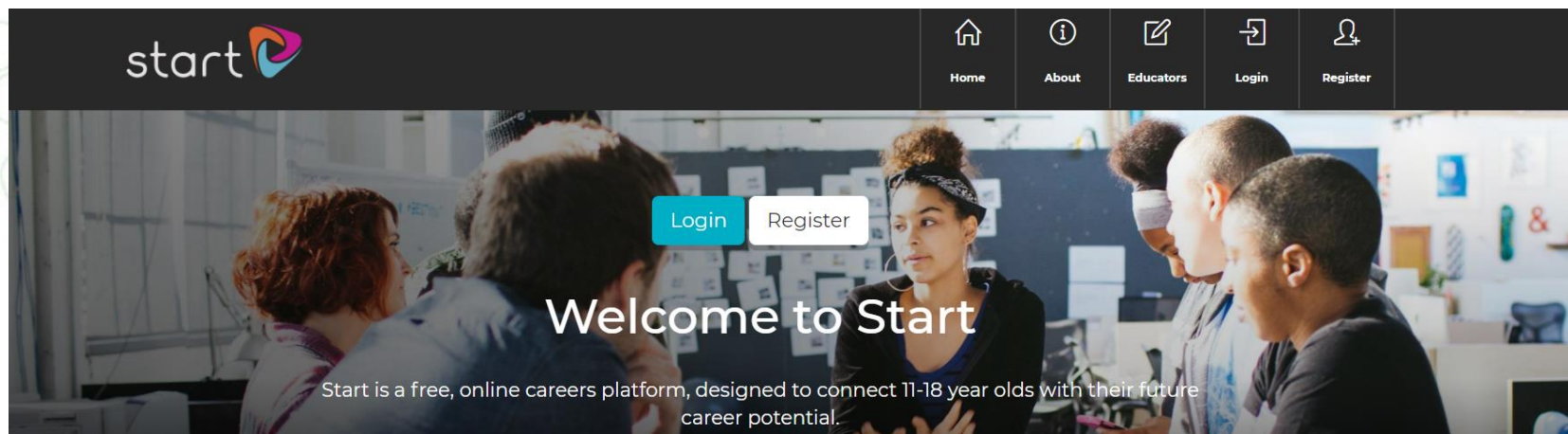
French

Support for students


- Form tutors
- Subject Teachers
- Year 8 Team

- SEND Team
- Start Profile
- Careers Manager

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Guidance



I am choosing more than one EBAC subject to give me a wider choice for when it gets to Christmas in Yr 9

I am choosing options that may help me in my chosen career path

I am choosing this subject because I enjoy it and I really like the look of it at GCSE

I am not selecting this option because my friends are

I am choosing this subject because I enjoy it and I really like the look of it at GCSE

I am not just choosing this option because I like my current teacher

The Process

- Over the next 2 weeks students will be given opportunities to speak to their subject teachers and form tutors about their subject choices
- In PSHCE students will be looking at careers and pathways
- Use the website and the 'Year 8 Options' Team to watch videos/read about courses
- Form will need to be submitted by Friday May 7th

The Form



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YEAR 8 OPTIONS 2021

Use this form to make a selection for your son's options choices for next year. There are four options blocks; please select your first and second choices for each block by dragging the subject names into the selection boxes. Click "Submit" when you have made your selections.

As explained in the [supporting information](#) on our website, students should study at least one 'EBacc' subject: Computer Science; French; Geography; History; Spanish; Triple Science. It is not possible to choose the same subject more than once.

This form needs to be completed by **Friday 7th May**.

Forename

Surname

Form

Please confirm that you have watched all the [subject information videos](#) and now feel in a position to make an informed choice about your GCSE options.

☐ Yes, I am able to make an informed decision about my options.