

## Curriculum 2023-24

KS3 students have 25 lessons per week

KS4 Students have 25 lessons per week (Some Mandarin lessons take place after school for students opting in)

KS5 Students have on average 18 lessons per week (Y12 study 3 or 4 subjects, 16-20 hours per week, Y13 study 3 subjects on average, 18 hours per week)

### School Hours:

	Monday - Friday	
Form Time	09.00-09.20	
Period 1	09.20-10.20	
Period 2	10.20-11.20	
<b>Break</b>	<b>11.20-11.40</b>	
Period 3	11.40-12.40	
<b>Lunch</b>	<b>12.40-13.30</b>	
Period 4	13.30-14.30	
Period 5	14.30-15.30	
(Period 6)	15:30-16:30	Lessons are scheduled after school for Mandarin (optional) across Y9, Y10 and Y11 and a variety of Y12 and Y13 lessons where the timetable dictates.
(Period 7)	16:30-17:30	

### Key Stage 5: Y12 & Y13

#### YEAR 12 - ALL OPTION SUBJECTS

Students pick up to 4 subjects to study at A level and receive 5 hrs/wk of each subject chosen (except Maths and Further Maths, which have 6 hrs/wk and 5 hrs/wk respectively). Where class sizes fall below 10, hours may be reduced from 5 to 4. In addition to the chosen subjects, all students will undertake a programme of Personal Development, 1 hour timetabled per week.

Students are encouraged to take Enrichment activities for 1-2 hrs/wk in Y12, for example; paired reading, mentoring etc.

OPTION A	OPTION B	OPTION C	OPTION D
(Chemistry, Film Studies, French, Further Maths, Politics, History, Maths, PE, Psychology, Sociology).	(Biology, Business, Chemistry, English Literature, Geography, Maths, Physics, Psychology, Sociology, Textiles)	(Biology, Chemistry, Economics, English Language, English Literature, German, Politics, Maths, Product Design, Physics, Psychology, Religious Studies, Spanish, Engineering).	(Art, Biology, Core Maths, Computer Science, Economics, Geography, History, Maths Music Physics, Psychology, Sociology, Theatre Studies).

#### YEAR 13 - ALL OPTION SUBJECTS

Students pick up to 4 subjects to study at A level and receive 5 hrs/wk of each subject chosen + 1 hr/wk of Directed Study in each subject chosen. Where class sizes fall below 10, hours may be reduced from 5 to 4. In addition to the chosen subjects, all students will undertake a programme of Personal Development, 1 hour timetabled per week.

Students are encouraged to participate in Work experience during Y13 for 2 hrs/wk during the Autumn Term.

OPTION A	OPTION B	OPTION C	OPTION D
(Biology, Chemistry, Economics, Geography, Politics, Maths Music, Product Design, Physics, Psychology, Enineering, Theatre Studies, Textiles)	(Biology, Chemistry, English Language, Film Studies, Further Maths, Geography, German, History, Maths, PE, Psychology, Sociology, Spanish, Maths).	(Biology, Business Studies, English Literature, History, Maths, Psychology, Religious Studies, Sociology).	(Art, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Economics, English Literature, French History, Maths, Physics, Psychology).

## Key stage 4:

KS4 groups work primarily towards GCSE qualifications. The KS4 curriculum is a mixture of **5** Core subjects and **3** Option subjects chosen from the lists in the table below. All KS4 students should take at least one EBACC subject (History/Geography/MFL). We are currently in a phase of transition. Our current Y11 groups are split into two ability based pathways, students on Dark Green pathway are encouraged to follow a full EBACC programme of study, which means they continue studying MFL and either Geography or History to GCSE. Dark Green Pathway students usually take triple Science. Students on the light green pathway study combined Science and have extra support in English and Maths.

From this year, we have moved away from the pathways so all Y10 students are in mixed ability groups across 3 bands for all subjects except Maths.

COMPULSORY CORE SUBJECTS						OPTIONS		
						OPTION A	OPTION B	OPTION C
	Maths	English	Science	PE	RE	Business Studies, Computer Science, French, Geography, German, PE, History, Music Spanish, Textiles	Art, Business Studies, Catering, <u>Mandarin</u> , French, Geography, German, History, Mandarin, Spanish, Textiles, Vocational Engineering	Art, Business Studies, Catering, Computer Science, Drama, Food Technology, Geography, PE, History, Product Design, Engineering
Year 10 (Hrs/Wk)	4	5	6	2	1	3	2	2
	Maths	English	Science	PE	RE	Art, Economics, French, Geography, German, PE, History, Music, Spanish	Art, Business Studies, Catering, Drama, Geography, PE, History, Product Design, Spanish, Engineering	Business Studies, Catering, Computer Science, Drama, Economics, Food Technology, French, Geography, German, History, Engineering Textiles, Vocational Engineering
Year 11 (Hrs/Wk)								
Dark Green Pathway	3	5	6 (Triple Science)	2	1	2	3	3
Light Green Pathway	4	6	4 (Dual Science)	2	1	2	3	3

## Key Stage 3: Y7-Y9

Year groups are split into three bands in KS3 (x, y and z). Students are taught as a form group in Year 7 for Geography, History, Drama, IT, RE and Personal Development.

MFL: Students commence studying a language in Year 7 and continue with that language through to KS4.

Maths: are set by ability in all three year groups.

DT: Year 7 and Year 8 are taught food and DT on a rotation (rotate half way through the year) to enable them to experience each of the subject areas.

Year 9 Option: Students opt into 2 subjects from the option blocks below. At least one subject must be one of the Arts (Art, Drama, Music), although we promote a balanced curriculum with one Arts and one technical subject.

ALL SUBJECTS IN Y7 AND Y8 ARE COMPULSORY														
	Geography	History	Drama	IT	Music	RE	Personal Development	Art	Food & DT (Product Design, Engineering and Textiles)	MFL (French, German, Spanish or Mandarin)	Maths	PE	English	Science
Year 7 Hrs/Wk	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	2	3	3
Year 8 Hrs/Wk	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	2	3	3

	Geography	History	RE	Personal Development	OPTION A Art, Computer Science, Drama, Food Technology, Music, Product Design, Engineering, Textiles	OPTION B Art, Computer Science, Drama, Food Technology, Music, Product Design, Engineering, Textiles	MFL (continuation of language started in Y7)	Maths	PE	English	Science
Year 9 Hrs/Wk	2	2	2	1	2	2	3	3	2	3	3