

Highfields School

be the best you can

Year 9 Options

for September 2017

Name:

Form:



**The Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service**

The MBE for volunteer groups

Year 9 Option Choices

Compulsory for all students:

All students will take the following subjects:

English Literature

Maths

Core PE

Religious Studies

English Language

Science Option:

Students must choose either **Double** or **Triple** Science.

The English Baccalaureate (EBacc) and Open Options:

- EBacc subjects are indicated in **RED** in the box below.
- If students have chosen **Triple** Science they may pick **any THREE** subjects from the **green** box.
- If students have chosen **Double** Science they must pick **FOUR** subjects from the **green** box of which at least **ONE** must be **RED**.
- Subjects that are similar appear in **orange** boxes together.
- Students can pick **ONE** subject from within each of the **orange** boxes.

Art & Design: Fine Art

Art & Design: 3D

Art & Design: Photography

Art & Design: Textiles

Business (BTEC)

Computer Science

Dance

Design & Technology

Drama

Engineering

Film Studies

Food Preparation

& Nutrition

French

Geography

German

History

Music

PE (GCSE)

Sport (BTEC)

Travel & Tourism (BTEC)

Fine Art
3D Art
Art Textiles
Photography

PE (GCSE)
Sport (BTEC)

NB: Option subjects are correct as at time of print and are subject to change



Year 9 Option Choices

My Preferred Choices:

At this stage your choices are **ONLY** provisional. Your choices will be discussed with you at your individual Options interview.

- **Compulsory subjects:** All students will take these subjects

English Literature

Maths

Core PE

Religious Studies

English Language

- **Science Option:**

You must choose either **Double** or **Triple** science

- **EBacc and Open Options:**

If you have chosen **Triple** Science you may pick **any THREE** subjects from the

green

If you have chosen **Double** Science you must pick **FOUR** subjects from the

green

box

1.

2.

3.

4.

Pick **TWO** 'reserve' choices from the

green

box.

1.

2.

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The Importance of an Informed Choice

In considering their options, students should ask themselves three important questions:

- 1. Which courses will I enjoy?**
- 2. Which courses do I have the skills to succeed at?**
- 3. Which courses will help to move me in the direction I want to go in?**

The Process

The Options process is designed to guide students towards making confident and informed subject choices.

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| 9 January 2017 | Year 9 Assembly Options Launch – options booklet to students, parents / carers. |
| 12 January 2017 | Year 9 Assembly showcasing 'new' courses available. |
| 17 January 2017 | Year 9 Options and Parent Consultation Evening.
Presentations in the Wheeldon Hall at 4pm and 6pm. |
| 18 January –
3 February 2017 | Students submit initial options choices* through tutors. |
| From 27 February 2017 | Options interviews for every student with a senior teacher and form tutor. |

**Students' initial options choices will include two 'reserve' options, in the event that the options students have chosen are not available due to low numbers or clashes within the timetable.*

It is our intention to write to students, parents/carers to confirm options choices as early as possible in the summer term.

What Now? Students should ...

1. Read the course information on the courses we offer in Year 10.
2. Consider their talents and aspirations and discuss them with their parents/carers, tutors and teachers.
3. Attend the Options Evening and gather as much information as possible in order to make an informed choice.
4. Meet with your tutor to submit an initial set of option choices.
5. Prepare for your formal options interview with your tutor and a senior teacher to discuss your initial choices in more detail.

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