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Year 8 Learning Journeys

Tuesday 12th March



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Tonight's agenda

- Background information reflecting government changes
- Overview of the process





Year 8 deciding their options

- 3 year Key Stage 4
- New GCSEs are more 'rigorous'
- Still allows for choice



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Government Changes

- Post 16 - Raising Participation Age
- English Baccalaureate (Ebacc)
- New grades and league tables



Raising the participation age (RPA) does not mean young people must stay in school; they will be able to choose one of the following options post-16:

- full-time education, such as school, college or home education
- an apprenticeship
- part-time education or training if they are employed, self-employed or volunteering full-time (which is defined as 20 hours or more a week).



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EBacc

- Maths
- English
- Science
- MFL
- Humanity



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WHY LEARN ANOTHER LANGUAGE? BECAUSE...

It can raise your grades in other subjects.



You've always wanted to be an international spy, right?



Your future best friend may speak it.



It can help you conquer those bubble tests.



The bigger your world is, the bigger your heart.



It makes you more creative.



It's good for your brain.



It can help you land an awesome job.



It can help you get into your dream college.





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New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	
8	A*
7	A
6	B
5	
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
	G
U	U

GOOD PASS (DfE)
5 and above = top of C and above

AWARDING
4 and above = bottom of C and above



Why plan ahead?

- Careers
- Qualifications needed
- Skills needed
- Job availability

- Research
- Plan



The future

- A levels
- Apprenticeship
- BTEC/NVQ/Employment
- College
- University



How should your child choose?

- Enjoyment of the subject
- Potential success, Core, Support, Extension
- Progression to Post 16 education and career
- NOT because they like the teacher
- NOT because their friend is taking the subject



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FFT ASPIRATIONAL GRADES



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Learning Journeys booklets

- There are 4 separate Booklets
- Standard
- English and Maths support
- Employability Skills
- Support



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Core Curriculum for all students

- Mathematics
- English Language
- English Literature
- RE
- Science
- PE
- PSHE



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Standard Learning Journey

- French
- Spanish
- A humanity
- 2/3 options



Flexible Learning Journey

- There are 2 Flexible Learning Journeys
- Either:
 - Maths / English support or
 - Employability Skills
- 2 options



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Support Learning Journey

- Maths / English support and
- Employability Skills
- 3 choices



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Options:

- Your booklet will have a list of subjects which your child can choose from



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Arts		Specialism	
Art & Design		Business	
Art & Design 3D Design (Vocational)		Computer Science	
Drama		Child Development (Vocational)	
Music		Food Preparation & Nutrition	
P.E.		FSMQ Additional Mathematics	
Technical Award in Performing Arts (Vocational)		Geography	
		History	
		Information Technologies (Vocational)	
		Sociology	
		Triple Science	



Learning Journeys Briefing
12th March 7pm-8pm

Parents' Consultation Evening
14th March

Decision
23rd April

- Discuss at home
- Research
- Options forms will be reviewed and further discussion may be necessary



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Questions