

Oxted School



Curriculum Choices 2018-2021



Key Stage 3 to Key Stage 4

- Throughout Key Stage 3 students have followed basically the same curriculum, with minor differences when it comes to Languages
- In Key Stage 4 it is time to begin to personalise timetables further, bearing in mind that it is a good idea to
 - Keep the curriculum broad and balanced
 - Keep options 'open'
- There is a wide choice of courses to suit different abilities and learning styles, both GCSEs and BTECs



Additional information



Careers advice in Surrey

Pick up a card at the table where you signed in this evening

If you haven't yet signed in, would you please do so at the end of this talk?



Different Types of Courses

- GCSE or BTEC?
- GCSE
 - courses have external examinations at the end of the course
- BTEC
 - vocational and work-related courses
 - assessed throughout the course
 - written examination
 - practical approach to learning
 - fully recognised as holding equivalences to GCSEs



Over the Past Few Weeks

- Guidance from Innervate Careers Service - present this evening in the Library
- Tutors have been working hard with students
- Activities aimed at thinking about
 - importance of making good choices
 - information needed to make good choices
 - understanding key subjects for certain careers
- Students have looked at the Curriculum Guide, copies are available to take home and a copy is on our website



Choices, choices, choices ...

Health & Social Care
D&T - Graphic Communication
Photography
Computer Science
Fine Art
History
Media Studies
Food Preparation and Nutrition
Child Development
Music
Physical Education
Art, Craft & Design
Sport BTEC
Geography
Spanish
Business Studies
Drama
German
Information Technology
French
Music
D&T 3D Design - Resistant Materials



GCSEs have changed

- All GCSEs have been rewritten and updated
- Almost all subjects are now following new courses
- When GCSE results are published at the end of Y11
 - virtually all subjects will be graded using grades 9 - 1
 - a few – mainly BTECs - will be graded using Pass, Merit, Distinction and Distinction*



What subjects are compulsory?

- English Language and English Literature
- Mathematics
- Science
- Religious Education
- Physical Education (non-examined)



Additionally

- One of the Humanities

- Geography
- History

Students may do both

- Modern Foreign Language

- French
- German
- Spanish

Students may do two languages

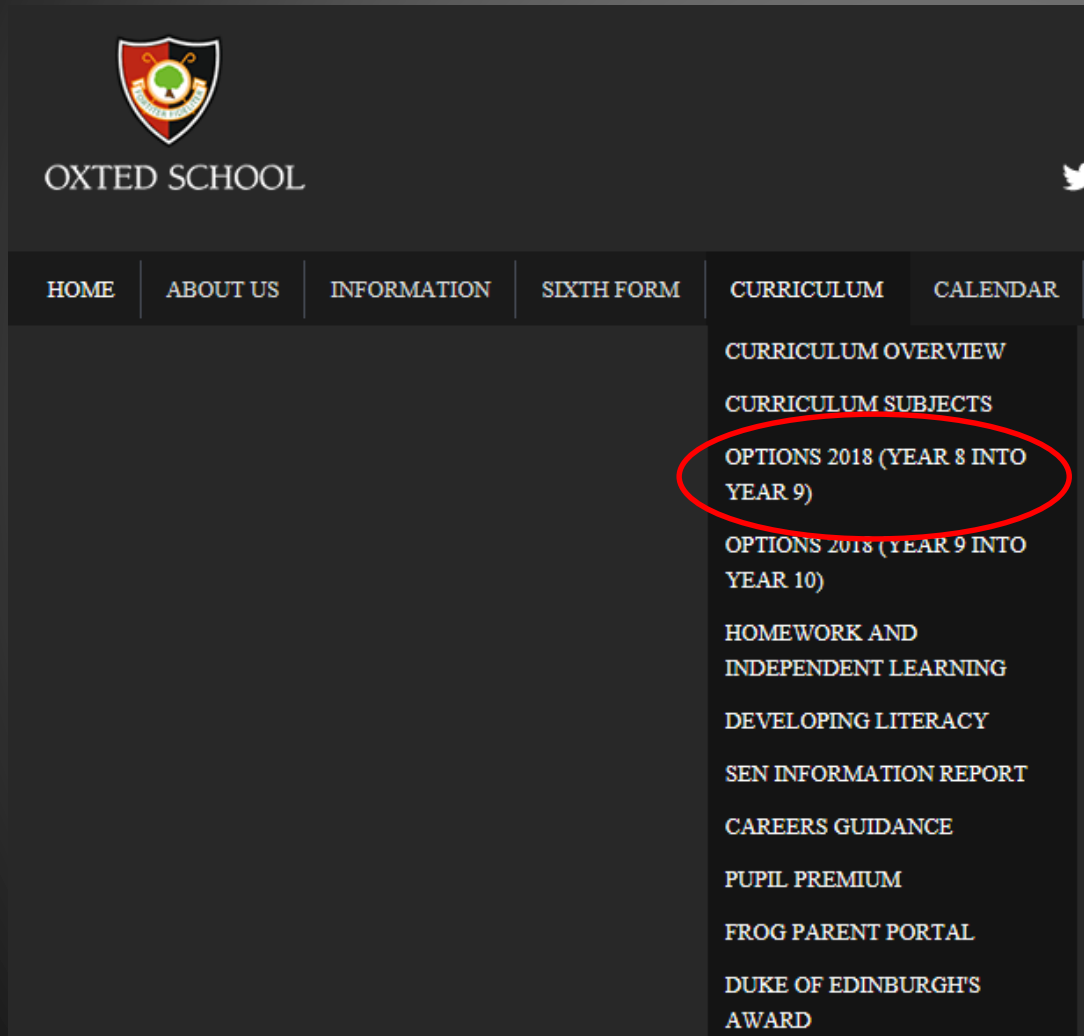


And then the Choices

- Two from the following
- Art, Craft & Design, Fine Art, Photography, Music, Drama, Dance
- Business Studies
- Child Development, Health & Social Care, Food Preparation and Nutrition, D&T 3D Design - Resistant Materials, D&T - Graphic Communication
- Information Technology, Computer Science
- Physical Education, Sport BTEC
- Media Studies




Course information




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- DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD



YEAR 9 CURRICULUM CHOICES 2018 - 2021



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BRINGING OUT THE BEST



Course Information

- Some subjects will have specific demands which students need to be clear about before choosing them
 - Fine Art
 - Art & Design
 - Photography
- Many will require particular skills like essay writing
- Some subjects have already been studied in Key Stage 3 whilst others are completely new
 - Business Studies, Media Studies
 - Child Development, Health & Social Care



Coming to a Decision

- Speak to as many people as possible - ask what subjects they think would suit you
- Find out more about each subject, particularly those new ones that you might be picking up. If you can, speak to someone who has already taken the subject you're thinking of choosing
- Make a checklist for each subject and tick whether you enjoy it, you're good at it, it suits your learning style or it's going to help you in the future. The subjects with the most ticks are the ones to choose
- Don't follow others, the choice must be right for you



Coming to a Decision

- Use this weekend to try to come to a decision
- Tutors will check whether additional help is needed on Monday
- To help with the decision making process, all students can have a 1:1 interview on Thursday/Friday next week with a senior member of staff
- Initial thoughts on career paths could lead to option choices
- Think about choices in the light of the most recent set of grades and conversations at last week's PRE



How to tell us your choices

- Entire process is online
- All students have received a log-in and password via school email today
- Students have had information about how to enter choices from their tutor – repeated tomorrow
- Parents will have receive a guide to how to use the online system with tomorrow's Parent Bulletin
- Students need to give a reserve choice, which will not be used without speaking to them first



How to tell us your choices

One from here

Humanity

You must choose either Geography or History. If you wish choose both, then select one here, and one in the option subjects below.

You have chosen 0 of 1 courses from this list

Geography GCSE Full Course <small>This course is also available in Option Subjects</small>	History GCSE Full Course <small>This course is also available in Option Subjects</small>
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One from here

Modern Foreign Language

You must choose either French, German or Spanish. If you wish to choose two languages, then select one here and one in the option subjects below.

You have chosen 0 of 1 courses from this list

French GCSE Full Course <small>This course is also available in Option Subjects</small>	German GCSE Full Course <small>This course is also available in Option Subjects</small>
Spanish GCSE Full Course <small>This course is also available in Option Subjects</small>	

Two from here, plus a reserve

Option Subjects

Please choose your final two subjects and a reserve.

You have chosen 0 of 2 courses and 0 of 1 reserves from this list

Fine Art GCSE Full Course	Reserve	Art, Craft and Design GCSE Full Course	Reserve
Business Studies GCSE Full Course	Reserve	Child Development BTEC Award Level 2	Reserve
Computer Science GCSE Full Course	Reserve	Drama GCSE Full Course	Reserve

My Choices in Order of Preference (Total Choices: 0)

To change your order of preference select a choice and click the position in the list you would like to move it to.

No courses selected.

My Reserves in Order of Preference (Total Reserves: 0)

To change your order of preference select a reserve and click the position in the list you would like to move it to.

No reserves selected.

Options will appear here, you can change the order



Advice from Y10

Take your time, read course guide carefully

Think, don't choose because your friends do, think about **your** future

My choices linked to my interests

Ask for advice – tutor, teachers, Miss Wheeler... parents

Ask teachers for curriculum outline, exam questions, topic lists



Questions?

- Use our dedicated email address

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