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Dear Student,

You are about to start the most important stage of your education so far. At the end of Year 11, you will sit your GCSEs and these qualifications are the key to unlocking so many of the amazing opportunities that will be available to you. You now get to make some very important choices about which subjects you would like to continue (or start!) studying.

It is important that you work with your family, tutor and teachers to help you to make the right choices to achieve your potential.

Qualification Types

There are a number of different qualifications on offer for you to choose from:

- GCSEs – most of our qualifications are GCSE subjects
- Level 2 BTECs – BTECs are more specialist, work-related qualifications available in different sectors
- Level 2 Cambridge Nationals – these are similar to BTECs and have a strong vocational element

BTECs and Cambridge Nationals typically include a larger amount of coursework than GCSEs, but you should look at individual subject pages for more detail on their exact assessment.

Grading Systems

Your choices**CORE CURRICULUM: Compulsory subjects***All students will study these subjects*

English Language
English Literature
Mathematics
Science
Ethics & Philosophy – Short Course
Physical Education (Core PE)

CORE CURRICULUM: Optional subjects*You must choose two of these subjects*

Computer Science
Ethics and Philosophy: Full Course
Geography
History
Languages: French/Spanish
Triple Science*

PERSONALISED CURRICULUM: Optional subjects*You must choose a further two of these subjects*

Art
Business Studies
Computer Science
Dance
Design & Technology
Drama
Economics
Ethics and Philosophy: Full Course
Food & Nutrition
French
Geography
Health & Social Care
History
ICT – Creative iMedia
Music
Music Technology
Physical Education
Spanish
Sport Science
Textiles
Triple Science*

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English Literature

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Physical Education (Core PE)

Core Curriculum: Optional Subjects

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You must choose two of these subjects

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Ethics and Philosophy: Full Course
Geography
History
Languages: French/Spanish
Triple Science*

** by invitation only*

Personalised Curriculum: Optional Subjects

You must choose two of these subjects

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