Year 9 Options Evening

21st March 2024

## Why options?

As pupils mature and experience different subjects they start to have a better idea of where they see their academic journey heading. At this stage;

- Some pupils have a detailed plan in their head
- Some pupils do not have an end goal but have a pathway in mind
- Some pupils are completely unsure of what they should do

This is all completely normal!


## Making the right choices



## Informed choices

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Choosing the right subjects to study post-16 is very



## KS4 - At a glance

$6 \times$ Maths Lessons
$6 \times$ English lessons
$6 \times$ Science Lessons
$2 \times$ Physical education
$1 \times$ Personal Development
$3 \times$ Option 1
$3 \times$ Option 2
$3 \times$ Option 3
One option MUST be History or Geography

## English Baccalaureate (EBacc)

The EBacc is a set of subjects at GCSE that keeps young people's options open for further study and future careers.

The EBacc is:

- English language and literature

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- Maths
- The sciences
- Geography or History
- A language


## Sixth form requirements

 Meopham School Sixth FormThe minimum entry requirements for Meopham Sixth Form are 5 Level 4 GCSEs including English and Maths.


Saint George's
Church of England School
entry requirements for an individual subject and achieved at least five Grade 5's (or Merit) at GCSE or Level 2.


A Level pathway
Applicants can choose any 3 or 4 A Levels from different blocks.
These can be combined with IB diploma courses.
Minimum Entry Requirements: $5 \times 9-4$ at GCSE including
at least a grade 4 in English and mathematics.

Minimum of $2 \times$ Level 5 grades and $4 \times$ Level 6 grades at GCSE. This must include a minimum of a grade 5 in English and Maths.

## Gravesend Grammar School

## College requirements



## Beauty - Hair \& Media Make-up

## Entry Requirements

You will need a minimum of a Grade 4 in English and Maths or Science and other GCSEs at grade 3 and above. Alternatively, a previous achievement of a Level 1 qualification in Beauty. Your enrolment is subject to a successful interview, positive references/school report evidencing excellent attendance, behaviour and altitude and successful completion of 3 taster sessions to include assessment of your underpinning knowledge and technical ability.

## College requirements



## Plumbing

## Entry Requirements

At least 4 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above in English, Maths and Science and one other

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Minimum of 4 GCSEs C - D / 4-3 Grade or equivalent (Level 1 Diploma), which must include GCSE in English OR maths A - D / 9-3 Grade or equivalent.

## kent training and

Apprenticeship Standard:
Early Years Practitioner Level 2

Location:
Westerham (TN16 1EZ)

Salary:
£240 per week

## Qualifications Required:

GCSE Level 9-4 (or Grade A-C)
in English and Maths, or
equivalent qualifications in
these subjects.


## The option blocks (select one from each)

| Block A | Block B | Block C |
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| GCSE Geography | GCSE Geography | GCSE French |
| GCSE History | GCSE History | GCSE Spanish |
| GCSE French | BTEC Health and Social <br> Care | WJEC Catering |
| GCSE Spanish | BTEC Digital IT | BTEC Business |
| BTEC Business <br> BTEC Music <br> Religious Education <br> BTEC Health and Social <br> Care | WJEC Catering | BTEC Sport |

## The selection process

We aim to ensure everybody gets to study the subjects they want

There are some instances where this cannot happen.


## Year 9 Options

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Please use this form to record your child's options choices for September 2024.

We will always try to accomodate first choices for students where possible.
However, we reserve the right to cancel a course if we do not get the required numbers, or limit the number of students on a course if there are reasons to do so.

Please complete this form by 4pm on Thursday 28th March 2024.

## What happens next....

Thursday 21st - Sunday 24th - time for discussions between families, pupils and teachers.

Monday 25th March - you will receive a Brommail message that includes a Google Form to complete.

25th - 28th March - Pupils/ parents to complete Choices online
Late April - You will receive a letter confirming the subjects your child will be studying in Year 10

## Talking points

How much of the subject course is coursework or assessments?
How are assessments marked?
Will I be required to do practicals? If yes, how often?
How often is homework set and how much?
Are they any trips linked to the course?

## Useful websites

## https://www.informedchoices.ac.uk/

## https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/

## https://www.kentprospectus.co.uk/

## About our prospectus

Welcome to KentChoices

Find out about all of your options after Year 11. Search and apply for sixth forms, colleges, training providers, apprenticeships and work experience.

| Find a Course > | Find an Apprenticeship > |
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| Find Work Experience > Login > |  |



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