

Dear Parent/Carer

We constantly review our curriculum to make sure that it is delivering outstanding outcomes for all of our students.

As a result of our latest review we're moving to a seven year curriculum from September 2020 that includes the skills and knowledge needed for every student to be successful in every subject area.

This will mean broadening our curriculum so that students gain a deeper knowledge and understanding of each area while ensuring that they further develop the skills needed to succeed in academia and in life. Our new 7 year curriculum maps will be available in September on the website for your information.

In practical terms we will be delivering more content in key stage 3 to ensure that students have experienced the depth of study in the foundation subjects before making their final option choices, which will now take place in year 9. This means that year 8 will not choose options this year, but continue with the full range of subjects in year 9. They will then begin key stage 4 programmes of study in year 10.

Alongside this we are making a small change to the options process. At the moment all students complete one high quality vocational course, BTEC Creative Media Production. We do this because we believe it is an excellent course that develops personal skills like resilience and team work, has excellent IT skills built in and is relevant for current societal trends, covering topics like the news, the internet and social media. However, it has concerned us that this does limit option choices for some students. We still believe every student should do this course and results have been consistently excellent, but going forward it will be an option choice available for all students in every option block. We hope most students will continue to choose it.

There is no change for students who have already begun their programmes of study in years 9, 10 & 11.


If you have any questions, concerns or comments please contact me at:  
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Yours faithfully

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