

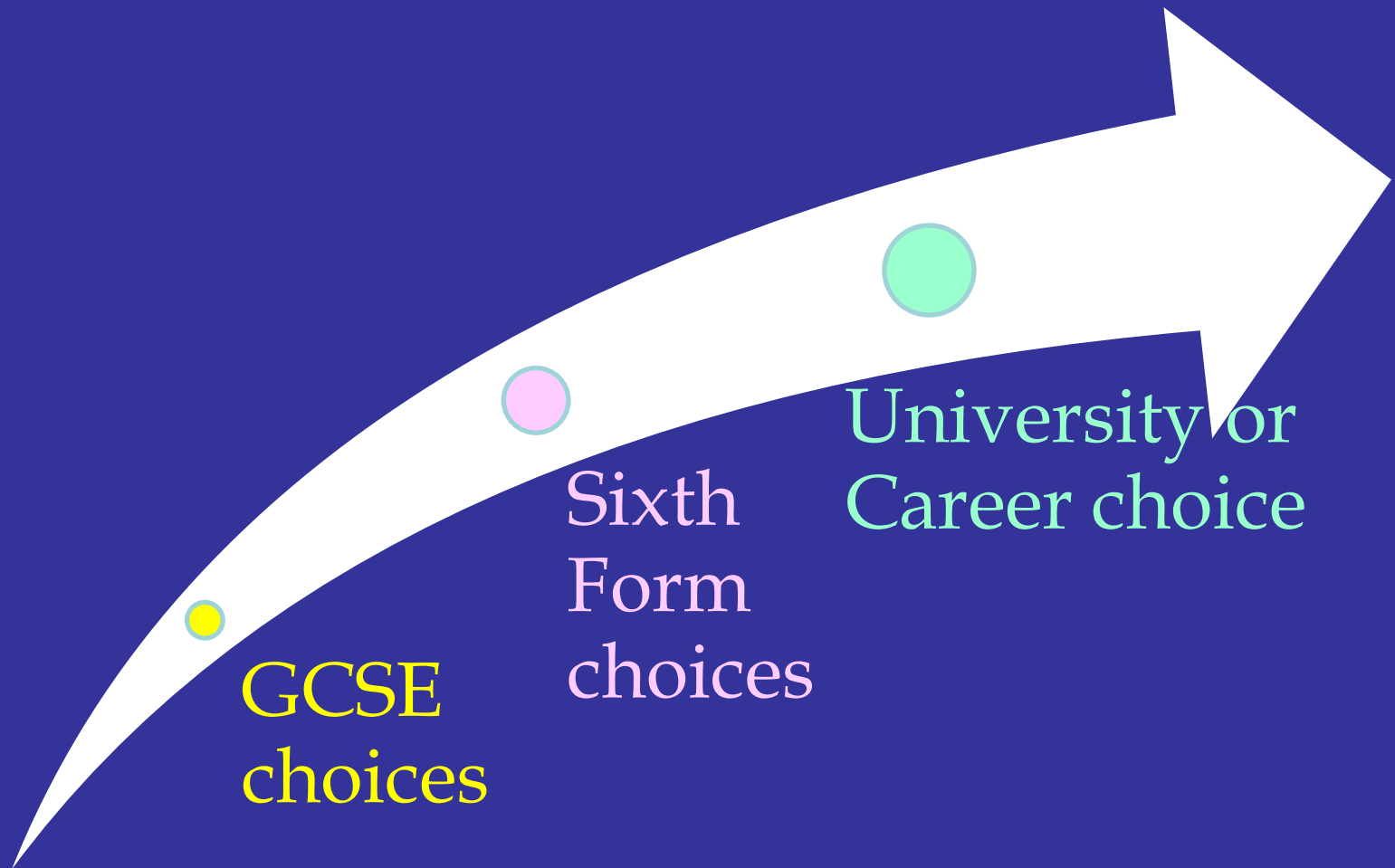


Wimbledon College

GCSE OPTIONS 2012

Thursday 2nd February

Making The Next Step



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- First opportunity that students have to **personalise** their curriculum
- Students should consider the following:
 - Subjects they enjoy learning
 - Skills they enjoy developing further
 - Subjects they are likely to achieve in
 - The method of assessment (practical work, controlled assessments, linear examinations)
 - Future pathways (Sixth Form and University)

English Baccalaureate

A Grade C or higher in:

- English Language
- Mathematics
- 2 Sciences
- History or Geography
- A Modern or Classical Language

The Department for Education has included these subjects as it believes the combination gives pupils the opportunity to study a broad core of subjects, which in turn leaves a wide variety of subjects and career pathways open to pupils after their GCSEs.

2011 Results

Wimbledon College	27%
Ursuline High School	32%
Merton	14%
National	15%

Core Curriculum

- Mathematics (1 or 2 GCSEs) 4
- Science (2 or 3 GCSEs) 6
- English (Language and Literature) 4
- Religious Studies (GCSE) 3
- PE and Games 3
- Assembly 1

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IGCSE English

- IGCSE English Language for Sets A, 1A and 1B
- IGCSE English Literature for Sets A, 1A and 1B
- greater emphasis on writing and analysis
- better range and level of set texts

Option Subjects

- History
- Geography
- French
- Spanish
- Art
- Graphics
- Resistant Materials
- Drama
- Music
- ICT
- Business Studies
- Sports Studies
- Awards Course

OPTION A 3 periods

OPTION B 3 periods

OPTION C 3 periods

+ Core 21 periods

TOTAL 30 periods per week

Option Blocks

OPTION A

History
Geography
Business Studies
Sports Studies
Religious Studies

OPTION B

History
Geography
Business Studies
ICT
Religious Studies

OPTION C

French
Spanish
Drama
Resistant Materials
Religious Studies

OPTION D

Art
Graphics
Drama
Music
Religious Studies

Pupils with Additional Needs

those for whom the full GCSE load is too much . . .

- English GCSE
- Maths GCSE
- Science GCSE in Y10
- BTEC Level 2 Science in Year 11
- RE GCSE + 1 other
- Awards Course

7-8 GCSEs + Awards Course

additional challenge for the more able pupil . . .

- Higher level GCSEs
- Biology, Chemistry + Physics
- IGCSE English language + literature
- GCSE Statistics

11 GCSEs

Science Arrangements

the majority of boys

- Y10 GCSE Science
- Y11 GCSE Additional Science

or

- Y11 BTEC Science
- module tests (Y10+11)
- examinations (Y11)

6 periods per week

the more able boys

- GCSE Biology
- GCSE Chemistry
- GCSE Physics
- module tests (Y10+11)
- examinations (Y11)

2 + 2 + 2 periods per week

Key Dates 2012

Presentation to Year 9 Pupils – Friday 3rd February

Pupil Interviews start – Monday 6th February

Y9 Parents' Evening – Thursday 23rd February

Options form deadline – Tuesday 6th March

Key People

i/c Y9 Options arrangements – Mr Mark Ventom

Y9 Head of Line – Mr David Doran

Deputy Head (Lower Line) – Mr Pierre Cargill

Deputy Head (Higher Line) – Mr Phil Murphy

Subject teachers and Heads of Departments

Returning the Options Form



**Wimbledon
College**

GCSE Options Form

2012

Name:	Tutor Group:
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Put a **tick** in the box next to the subject you have chosen in each Option column

You must choose one subject from each option column.

Religious Studies must be one of your options.

In order to qualify for the EBacc you must choose a Humanity (History or Geography) and a Language (French or Spanish)*

**Other GCSE languages such as Italian, Polish or Portuguese also qualify*

Option A		Option B		Option C		Option D	
History		History		French		Art	
Geography		Geography		Spanish		Drama	
Business Studies		Business Studies		Drama		Graphics	
Sports Studies		ICT		Resistant Materials		Music	
Religious Studies		Religious Studies		Religious Studies		Religious Studies	

This form must be returned to the Lower Line PSA by Tuesday 6th March



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