

Curriculum Structures 2021-2022

At Key Stage 3 (Year 7, 8, and 9) students are divided into three equal bands (X, Y, Z). In their core subjects (Maths, English, Science) and in History, Geography and Languages and Technology there are 5 groups per band. Groups are determined by the individual faculties. They are taught in their form groups for ICT, Music, Drama, Ethics and Art.

For students in group 5, they do a single hour of literacy in place of a language lesson.

In Year 7-9, all students study the following subjects within a 25 period week (each period lasts for 1 hour):

Subject	Year 7 (number of lessons)	Year 8 (number of lessons)	Year 9
English (Language and Literature)	3	3	4
Maths	3	3	3
Science	3	3	4
Languages (one language)	2	2	2
History	2	2	2
Geography	2	2	2
Art and Technology	3	3	2
HFWB	2	2	2
Information & Communications Technology (ICT)	1	1	1
Music / drama	1 each	1 each	1
Ethics	2	2	2

All students will complete their KS3 curriculum by the end of Y9. In the core subjects English, Maths and Science, some aspects of the Key Stage 4 curriculum will be covered in year 9. In year 10 and 11, students are divided into two equal bands: X and Y.

All students have four options; at least one of these must be a history or geography. Some students will study the Ebacc: for this they will need to choose a language and one of history or geography. All students study Ethics for 1 hour per week in year 10 / 11 (this is a non-examined course). In Ethics they will cover the Citizenship, & PSHE / Religious Studies, SRE and careers curriculum.

In Year 10 / 11 all students begin their KS4 courses of study as follows:

Subject	Number of lessons
English (Language and Literature)	4
Maths	4
Science	4
Health, Fitness & Well-being	1
Ethics	1
Option S	3
Option T	3
Option P	3 then 2 in Year 11
Option Q	2 then 3 in Year 11

Subjects offered within the KS4 option blocks include:

EBacc subjects:

French, German, Spanish,

Geography, History,

Triple Science

Computer Science

Open subjects:

Design & Technology

Art General

Art Textiles

Photography

Music GCSE

Food Preparation and Nutrition

Sports Studies GCSE

BTEC Health & Social Care

BTEC Performing Arts (Acting, Dance)

BTEC Music

BTEC Sport,

BTEC Construction and the Built Environment,

Creative iMedia

Year 12 / 13

At post 16, students usually opt for 3 A levels / Level 3 qualifications. A small minority do four.

Some students, if required do GCSE Maths / English resits.

Subject	Number of lessons
Tutor Time	1
Option 1	5
Option 2	5
Option 3	5
Option 4	5

POST-16 Students are able to access subjects at AS and A2 level.

These include:

English (Language, Literature)

Biology

Chemistry

Physics

BTEC Applied Science (Single)

BTEC Forensics (Double)

Mathematics (also Further Mathematics)

Languages (French, German, Spanish)

History

Geography

Philosophy

Photography

Psychology

Music

Sociology

BTEC Level 3 Sport (single, double and triple)

BTEC Level 3 Health and Social Care

BTEC Level 3 ICT

Computer Science

Art Textiles

Product Design

Art

BTEC Level 3 Performing Arts (Acting)

Business Studies (also BTEC Level 3 Business
Studies)

EPQ

Further subjects are also currently being explored