

# Y9 Specialisms Process 2023-24



- Information booklet on the website 5th Feb
- Videos on the website 5th Feb
- Progress Evening 8th Feb
- Careers Fair 1st March
- Respect day 7th March
- Specialisms Evening 14th March
- Options online complete by 18th March
- Notification in April

# 9 GCSEs



- Maths
- English (2)
- Science (2)
- RS
- Option A
- Option B
- Option C

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Option A	Option B	Option C
Art	Art	Connect
Dance	Computer science	Creative Media
Geography	Drama	Design and Technology
Health and social care	Engineering	Engineering
History	Food and nutrition (2)	Food and nutrition
Music	Geography	Geography
Photography	Health and social care	History
Physical Education (2)	History (2)	Music technology
Spanish	Spanish	Triple science (2)

# What is the 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
- maths
- the sciences
- geography or history
- a language

# What is the EBacc?

The EBacc is made up of the subjects which are considered essential to many degrees and open up lots of doors. A study by the UCL Institute of Education shows that studying subjects included in the EBacc provides students with greater opportunities in further education and increases the likelihood that a pupil will stay on in full-time education.

Sutton Trust research reveals that studying the EBacc can help improve a young person's performance in English and maths.



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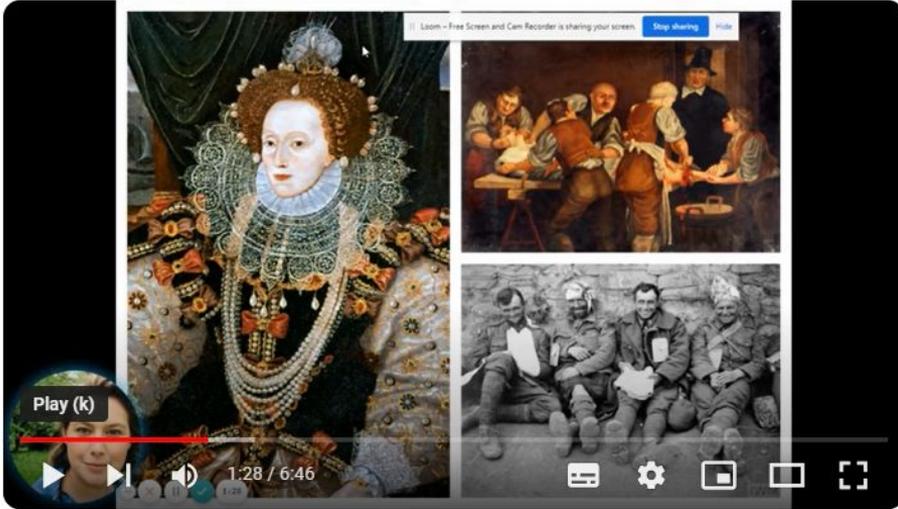
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## Options 2024 - Key Events/Dates

<p>Monday 5th February</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 9 Assembly to introduce the process</li> <li>• Subject specialism <a href="#">videos available online</a></li> </ul> <p>Information supplied to students in an assembly</p>
<p>Monday 5th February</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>KS4 Courses of Study and Subject Information booklet available</b></li> </ul> <p>This guide provides an explanation to students/parents about the process, the choices available, how the process will operate and an opportunity to start reading more about the different subjects and find out what can be asked to curriculum leaders.</p>
<p>Thursday 8th February</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Y9 Progress Evening</b></p> <p>Y9 Progress evening, to be held online. An opportunity for parents to discuss progress and the subject specialisms.</p>
<p>Friday 1st March</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Careers Fair</b></p> <p>An opportunity for students to meet employers and colleges and discuss career and GCSE options.</p>
<p>Wednesday 7th March</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Careers Report Day</b></p>

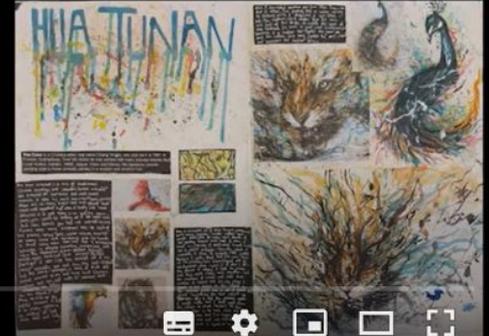
Students follow the <a href="#">AQA Specification</a> for Mathematics	
Course description	Students are taught to rapidly and accurately recall and apply facts and concepts, develop a growing confidence to reason mathematically and the ability to apply maths to solve problems, to conjecture and to test hypotheses.
Course Qualifications	GCSE
Examinations	3 written papers. Paper 1 – non-calculator, 1hr 30 mins, 80 marks, 33.3% of the GCSE Paper 2 – calculator, 1hr 30 mins, 80 marks, 33.3% of the GCSE Paper 1 – calculator, 1hr 30 mins, 80 marks, 33.3% of the GCSE
Non – examination assessment	No coursework
Post 16 Education	<b>Core Maths</b> – is designed to improve students' knowledge of mathematics and enable them to apply it in real-world contexts <b>A Level Maths</b> - Exploration of extended algebraic methods, trigonometry, and further abstract principles. Study of further Statistics, Mechanics and Decision maths.
<a href="#">Careers</a>	Architect, Investment banker, Meteorologist, Chartered Accountant, Engineer and others
Skills and Attributes	Constructing and presenting clear logical arguments. The ability to deal with highly abstract concepts. Analysing data, finding patterns and extrapolating conclusions.



History - Options video

# THE SKETCHBOOK

Throughout your GCSE Art journey you will establish at least 3 sketchbooks. Your sketchbook is a crucial element of the GCSE course and it's where you record all of your research, refinements, experiments and ideas. Your sketchbook is integral to your creative process and so the **Play (k)** of your sketchbook is therefore **the passport to your success.**



Art - Options Video



# Respect Day - 7.3.24



# Making the decision.

## Specialisms at Parklands

On the website click - school information, careers information, options process.

Watch the CL videos on Parklands website

Teacher note - If headphones are not available, please could you choose a couple to play on the main screen.

- Art
- Computer Science
- Creative Media
- Dance
- Design Technology
- Drama
- Food Preparation and Nutrition
- Geography
- Health and Social Care
- History
- Modern Foreign Languages
- Music GCSE
- Music Technology NCFE Level 2
- Photography
- Physical Education
- Sciences



Enter your date of birth in the format DD/MM/YYYY

For example  
18/02/2009

Then press the Next button.

## RESPECT: MAKING THE CHOICE.

### LEARNING PURPOSE:

1. To **prepare** yourself to make the decision of which specialisms you should pick.

### YOU HAVE PROGRESSED/SUCCEEDED IF...

- You have registered for Options Online.
- You have watched at least two Parklands videos about specialist subjects.
- You can identify a career that your specialism



# Specialisms Evening 14th March



- Short presentation to parents.
- Sign up to visit 3 department presentations.
- Opportunity for questions at the end.

# Next Steps....



- **Progress Evening** on Thursday (online)
- Be as informed as possible - **read and watch**.
- **Ask** your subject teachers, other students.
- **Options online** instructions on respect day.
- **Meet the deadline** to get your choices.