

# KS4 Options 2018- 2021

KESA 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018

# Core Curriculum

- ▶ GCSE English
- ▶ GCSE English Literature
- ▶ GCSE Mathematics
- ▶ GCSE Science (Double or Triple Award)
- ▶ A Humanities subject - GCSE History, Geography or Ancient History.
- ▶ A language - GCSE French, Spanish or Latin
- ▶ Core Sport.

# Choices - 1

- ▶ One of your choices **MUST** be History, Geography or Ancient History - there is a space for this choice on the options form.
- ▶ One of your choices **MUST** be a language (French, Spanish, Latin) - there is a space for this choice on your options form.

# Choices - 2

- ▶ Pick your top 5 choices.
- ▶ You can choose to study a further subject after school
- ▶ If you wish to attend a course at CWA you must collect an application form - there is a separate interview process for these courses. You will only be allowed to do one subject at College.
- ▶ Once you have selected your preferences, KESA will check this for suitability - where there are differences we will ensure a conversation takes place.

# New subjects

- ▶ Technology Subjects
- ▶ Ancient History
- ▶ Creative/Interactive Media
- ▶ Business Studies
- ▶ Sociology
- ▶ Latin
- ▶ Dance
- ▶ College Subjects

# CHANGES

- ▶ GCSE 9-1 gradings - in all GCSE subjects for the class of 2021.
- ▶ Progress and attainment 8 - expectation is now 8 good qualifications, not 5.

# ADVICE - DON'T

- ▶ Choose subjects because your friends are doing them
- ▶ Choose subjects based on whether you like the teacher or not
- ▶ Pick subjects you are unlikely to achieve in
- ▶ Put all your eggs in one basket!!
- ▶ Worry about this - we will help you.

# ADVICE - DO

- ▶ Choose subjects you like
- ▶ Think about combinations, e.g. business/ languages
- ▶ Think about long term goals
- ▶ Think about balance
- ▶ Ask if you are not sure of anything
- ▶ Fill in the option form correctly when you get it.
- ▶ Think really carefully about the decisions you make - this saves hassle later!!



# Timeline

- ▶ 31/01/18 - OPTIONS EVENING
- ▶ 01/02/18 - 23/02/18 - Initial Guidance Interviews
- ▶ **23rd February - final deadline for options forms.**
- ▶ 26/02/18 - 30/04/18 - Further Guidance Interviews.
- ▶ March/April - College interviews
- ▶ June - curriculum offer letter sent home.