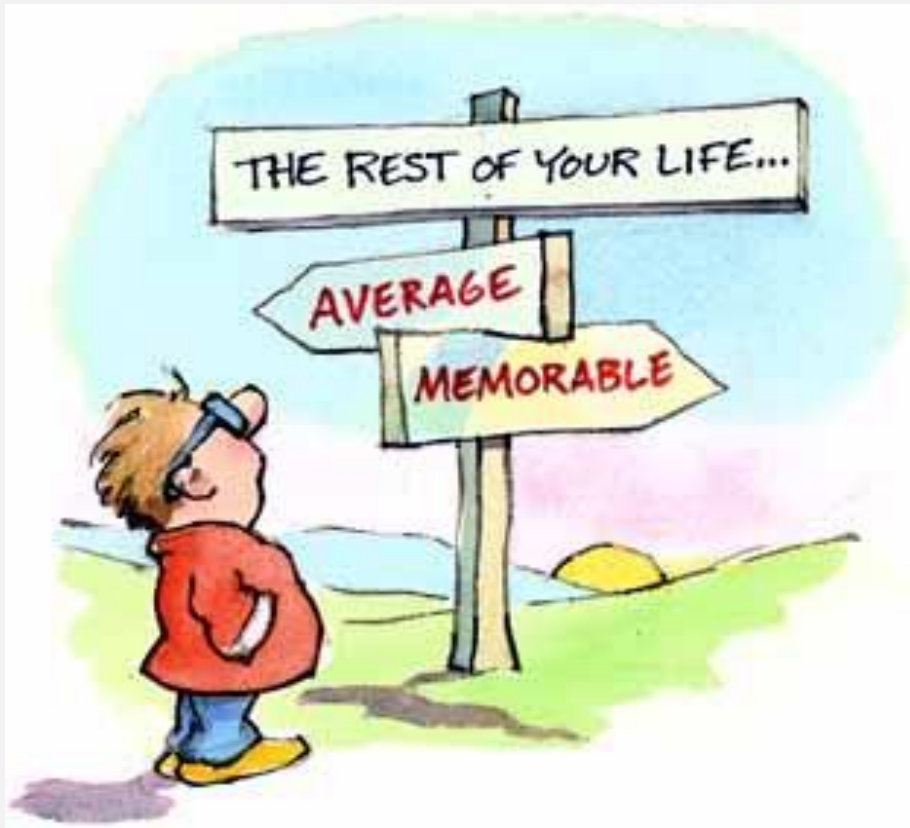


YEAR 9 GCSE OPTIONS INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS



Objectives for tonight

- Understand the options process
- Understand what options are available now and how decisions may affect your future
- Get advice from staff in school: teachers, careers staff, senior leaders, pastoral leaders
- To be informed to be able to make the best choices

THE OPTIONS PROGRAMME

- **Options/Careers Assembly: Wednesday 10th January**
- **Parents Evening: Thursday 23rd January**
- **Options Evening: Tuesday 30th January**
- **Options go Live: Wednesday 31st January**



- **Time** – choices in online by 3:30pm **Friday 9th February**

- Lots of people to **help**

- ❖ Teachers
- ❖ Tutor
- ❖ Mr Neighbour & Mrs Bumby
- ❖ Independent Careers Advisor
- ❖ Senior Leadership Team
- ❖ Parents/guardians ... **friends!?**
- ❖ **Year 10 & Year 11?**



- Decisions that are right for **YOU!**

WHICH GCSE SUBJECTS SHOULD I CHOOSE?



1. Enjoyment
2. Interests
3. Strengths
4. Confidence

It's up to you (students)

Listen to advice but it's got to be your decision

You are the one that is in the lessons for the next 2 years!

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?!

- Subject **choice** is not so important at GCSE: **relax & enjoy** it!
- TGGs subject '**Core**' is the students' '**safety net**'

balanced range of subjects

keep your options open

9 GCSEs

The Core is

- 1) **Maths**,
- 2) **English Language**
- 3) **English Literature**
- 4/5) Combined **Science** as a minimum

Then Choices:

- 6) A **Language**: French or German
- 7) A **Humanity**: History, Geography or Religious Studies
- 8/9) **Two** further **Free Choices** from the 'Options':

Art & Design (Fine Art), Art & Design (Textile Design), Business Studies, Computer Science, Drama, Food Preparation & Nutrition, French, Geography, German, History, Music, PE, Religious Studies, Spanish & Triple Science.

- 10) Geology (as an additional 10th GCSE option GCSE studied after school in twilight sessions)



**HOW TO USE OPTIONS
ONLINE TO CHOOSE YOUR
OPTIONS**

Sign in to SIMS Options



ESS: [Check Service Status](#)

 Secured by SIMS ID

Sign in to SIMS Options



Sign in with Microsoft



[ESS: Check Service Status](#)

 Secured by SIMS ID

- You will then be presented with the following screen.
- You need to check that the details are correct

Student Choices - Plan Status **Design** ▼

🔍 Save Show Notes Hide Notes

▼ **Personal Details**

Preferred Forename	Preferred Surname	Photograph 	
Gender	Date of Birth		
Year Taught In	Registration Group		House
Admission Number	Enrolment/Admission Status		SEN Status

Female
9
On Roll

This page lets you make your GCSE choices. Some subjects are compulsory at GCSE level. These are:


- English language and literature;
- Maths;
- Double award Science;
- Core RE;
- Core PE.



You then have **four** option choices to make. However, at least **one** of these options must be a **humanity**: History; Geography or Religious Studies and another option choice must be a **language**: French or German.

Modern Foreign Language

You need to choose which language you would like to study at GCSE level. If you want to continue to study **two** languages at GCSE level then select one language here and another in the **Option** block.

If you make a mistake when selecting your subjects clicking again on the subject will remove that choice.

You have chosen 1 of 1  courses from this list

FRENCH GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Choice	GERMAN GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course
 This course is also available in Option Block	 This course is also available in Option Block

My Choices in Order of Preference (Total Choices: 1)

To change your order of preference select a choice and click the position in the list you would like to move it to.

1 FRENCH GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Modern Foreign Language
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My Reserves in Order of Preference (Total Reserves: 0)

To change your order of preference select a reserve and


Humanities

You must choose **one** humanity subject here. If you wish to do more than one you can select the others in the **Option Block**.


If you make a mistake when selecting your subjects clicking again on the subject will remove that choice.

You have chosen 0 of 1  courses from this list


GEOGRAPHY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

 This course is also available in Option Block

HISTORY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

 This course is also available in Option Block

RELIGIOUS GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

 This course is also available in Option Block

Option Block

You must choose **two** options here.

1. Do not choose options that you have already selected in other blocks.
2. **Food & Nut = Food and Nutrition.**
3. **Textiles** is actually Art & Design: Textiles.

You have chosen courses and reserves from this list

ART GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	BUSINESS S GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
COMPUTER S GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	DRAMA GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
FOOD & NUT GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	FRENCH GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
		! You have selected this course in Modern Foreign Language	
GEOGRAPHY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	GERMAN GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
i This course is also available in Humanities		i This course is also available in Modern Foreign Language	
HISTORY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	MUSIC GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
i This course is also available in Humanities			
PE GCSE GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	RELIGIOUS GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
		i This course is also available in Humanities	
Triple science 1 GCSE Full Course	Reserve	TEXTILES GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve

Fast-track Geology

This is an **optional** additional GCSE qualification that is taught in one **after-school** session a week.



You have chosen courses from this list






GEOLOGY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Option Block

You must choose **two** options here.

1. Do not choose options that you have already selected in other blocks.
2. **Food & Nut = Food and Nutrition.**
3. **Textiles** is actually Art & Design: Textiles.

You have chosen 2 of 2  courses and 0 of 2  reserves from this list

ART GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	BUSINESS S GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Choice	Reserve
COMPUTER S GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	DRAMA GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
FOOD & NUT GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	FRENCH GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
		 You have selected this course in Modern Foreign Language	
GEOGRAPHY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	GERMAN GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
 This course is also available in Humanities		 This course is also available in Modern Foreign Language	
HISTORY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	MUSIC GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
 This course is also available in Humanities			
PE GCSE GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve	RELIGIOUS GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve
		 You have selected this course in Humanities	
Triple science 1 GCSE Full Course Choice	Reserve	TEXTILES GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course	Reserve

My Choices in Order of Preference

(Total Choices: 4)

To change your order of preference select a choice and click the position in the list you would like to move it to.

1 FRENCH
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Modern Foreign Language

2 RELIGIOUS
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Humanities



3 Triple science 1
GCSE Full Course Option Block

4 BUSINESS S
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Option Block

Option Block

You must choose **two** options here.

1. Do not choose options that you have already selected in other blocks.
2. **Food & Nut = Food and Nutrition.**
3. **Textiles** is actually Art & Design: Textiles.

You have chosen 2 of 2  courses and 1 of 2  reserves from this list

ART GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

COMPUTER S GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course


Reserve

FOOD & NUT GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

GEOGRAPHY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

 This course is also available in Humanities

HISTORY GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

 This course is also available in Humanities

PE GCSE GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

Triple science 1 GCSE Full Course

Choice

Reserve

BUSINESS S GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Choice


Reserve

DRAMA GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve


FRENCH GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

 You have selected this course in Modern Foreign Language

GERMAN GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

 This course is also available in Modern Foreign Language

MUSIC GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

Reserve 

RELIGIOUS GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

 You have selected this course in Humanities

TEXTILES GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course

Reserve

My Choices in Order of Preference

(Total Choices: 4)

To change your order of preference select a choice and click the position in the list you would like to move it to.

1 FRENCH
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Modern Foreign Language

2 RELIGIOUS
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Humanities

3 Triple science 1
GCSE Full Course Option Block

4 BUSINESS S
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Option Block

My Reserves in Order of Preference

(Total Reserves: 1)

To change your order of preference select a reserve and click the position in the list you would like to move it to.

1 MUSIC
GCSE 9 - 1 Full Course Option Block



WHO SHOULD I CONTACT FOR HELP?

- Specific subject enquiries: please use the contact details in the Options Booklet to contact the Head of Department
- Careers Leader – Mr Neighbour: gneighbour@tggsacademy.org



- General/Pastoral Queries – Mrs Bumby: kbumby@tggsacademy.org



- Options Online – Mr Baker: rbaker@tggsacademy.org



POST-16 PATHWAYS

Sixth Form

- A Levels

Apprenticeship

- Earn while you learn

College

- Academic courses
- Vocational courses

Training

- Traineeship with Training Provider

POST-18 PATHWAYS

Further Education

- Additional Level 3 qualifications

Apprenticeship

- Earn while you learn

University

- Academic courses

Training

- Traineeship with Training Provider

Employment

- Go straight into employment

Gap Year

- Undertake volunteering

SHORTAGE EMPLOYMENT AREAS

Job types included on the shortage occupations list

Health services and public health managers and directors – all jobs
Residential, day and domiciliary care managers and proprietors – all jobs
Chemical scientists – only jobs in the nuclear industry
Biological scientists and biochemists – all jobs
Physical scientists – only the following jobs in the construction-related ground engineering industry: engineering geologist hydrogeologist geophysicist
Physical scientists – only the following jobs in the oil and gas industry: geophysicist geoscientist geologist geochemist technical services manager in the decommissioning and waste areas of the nuclear industry senior resource geologist and staff geologist in the mining sector
Social and humanities scientists – only archaeologists
Civil engineers – all jobs
Mechanical engineers – all jobs
Electrical engineers – all jobs
Electronics engineers – all jobs
Design and development engineers – all jobs
Production and process engineers – all jobs
Engineering professionals not elsewhere classified – all jobs
IT business analysts, architects and systems designers – all jobs
Programmers and software development professionals – all jobs
Web design and development professionals – all jobs
Information technology and communications professionals not elsewhere classified – only cyber security specialists
Veterinarians – all jobs
Actuaries, economists and statisticians – only bio-informaticians and informaticians
Architects – all jobs
Quality control and planning engineers – all jobs
Laboratory technicians – all jobs
Artists – all jobs
Dancers and choreographers – only skilled classical ballet dancers or skilled contemporary dancers who meet the standard required by internationally recognised UK ballet or contemporary dance companies. The company must be endorsed as being internationally recognised by a UK industry body such as the Arts Councils (of England, Scotland or Wales).
Musicians – only skilled orchestral musicians who are leaders, principals, sub-principals or numbered string positions, and who meet the standard required by internationally recognised UK orchestras. The orchestra must be a full member of the Association of British Orchestras.
Arts officers, producers and directors – all jobs
Graphic designers – all jobs
Welding trades – only high integrity pipe welders, where the job requires 3 or more years' related on-the-job experience. This experience must not have been gained through illegal working.
Care workers and home carers - private households or individuals (other than sole traders sponsoring someone to work for their business) cannot sponsor Skilled Worker applicants
Senior care workers – all jobs



UK Government

Job types included on the shortage occupations list

Medical practitioners – all jobs
Psychologists – all jobs
Pharmacists – all jobs
Medical radiographers – all jobs (including radiotherapy practitioners / technologists)
Health professionals not elsewhere classified – all jobs
Physiotherapists – all jobs
Occupational therapists – all jobs
Speech and language therapists – all jobs
Nurses – all jobs
Secondary education teaching professionals – only teachers in maths, physics, science (where an element of physics will be taught), computer science and modern foreign languages
Secondary education teaching professionals – only teachers in Gaelic
Primary and nursery education teaching professionals – only Gaelic medium teachers
Social workers – all jobs
Paramedics – all jobs
Nursing auxiliaries and assistants – all jobs

WANT TO STAY LOCAL?

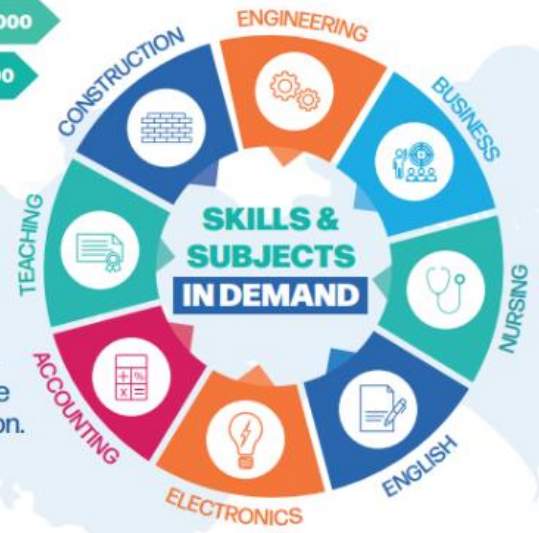
Labour Market Information Heart of the South West

ROLES IN DEMAND



These are the job roles most in demand in the South West region at the moment.

Current trends and future requirements in the labour market indicate that these subject/skill areas will be in demand in the South West region.



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Stéphanie Frappart, first female referee of a men's World Cup match



Malala Yousafzai – campaigned for education for girls in Pakistan



Amika George – became a campaigner to end period poverty at the age of 17



Bella Spurle
Police Constable Degree
Apprenticeship



Sian King
Korean Studies, Sheffield
University



Georgie Scoot
Studying Liberal Arts at Princeton, New York



Nicole Dayment – Pilot
Training Course in Murcia,
Spain



Elle Clarkson
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