



Which way next?

## Choices Timeline

15 Feb '24

- Options Launch assembly
- Y9 reports to parents/carers

15 Feb '24

- Options Evening 6 – 8 pm
- Options form 'live' on website

7 Mar '24

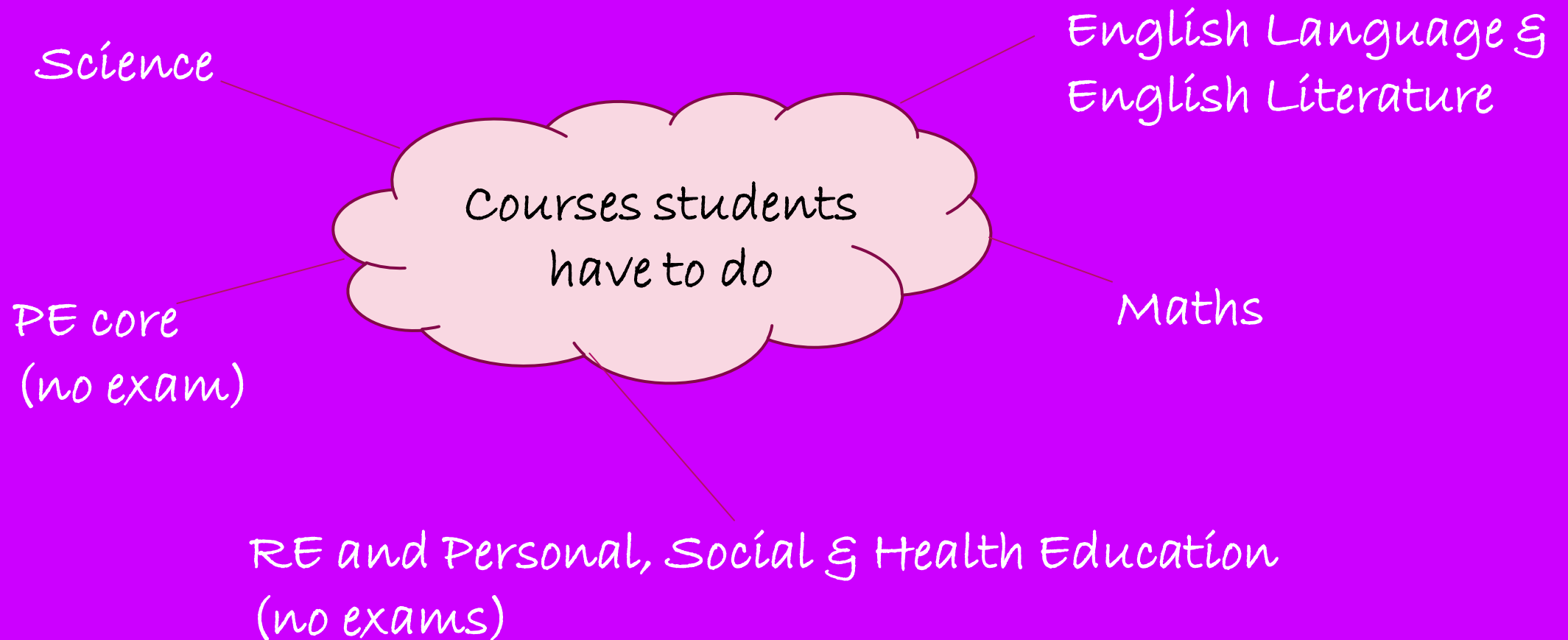
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June '24

- Students informed of their subjects

# Courses students have to do at KS4

Prince William School follows the National Curriculum as laid down by Government. This covers the subjects which the Government states are the entitlement of every child and forms the compulsory core subjects.



# Combined Science and Triple Science

- ▶ All students will study at least 'Combined Science' which covers aspects of Biology, Chemistry and Physics. They get two GCSE grades for this.
- ▶ The students in the top two or three sets will study 'Triple Science' which results in 3 GCSEs: one in Biology, one in Chemistry, and one in Physics. Three separate grades.
- ▶ This allows all students to choose four additional subjects so that those doing Triple Science attain an **extra** GCSE and do not have to sacrifice one of their options in order to do Triple Science.

# How many qualifications will students get?

Most students	Most able Scientists	Student who would benefit from additional support
English Language	English Language	English Language
English Literature	English Literature	English Literature
Maths	Maths	Maths
Combined Science	Biology	Combined Science
Combined Science	Chemistry	Combined Science
Option 1	Physics	Option 1 / support/ASDAN
Option 2	Option 1	Option 2/ support/ ASDAN
Option 3	Option 2	Option 3
Option 4	Option 3	Option 4
	Option 4	
Total: 9 GCSEs or equivalent	Total: 10 GCSEs or equivalent	Total: 7 - 8 GCSEs or equivalent

# What are your choices?

You **must** choose **one** from list A:

Computer Science

Geography

History

French

Spanish

ASDAN Courses / Support (with approval from the school's SENDCo)

## and three from list B:

Additional Maths	Drama	History
Art	Enterprise & Marketing	Music
Business Studies	Food and Nutrition	Physical Education
Computer Science	French	Religion, Philosophy & Ethics
Dance	Geography	Sociology
Design & Technology	Graphic Communications	Spanish
Digital Information Technology	Health & Social Care	*ASDAN and/or *Support * With approval of SENDCo

If you want to attain the  
English Baccalaureate

You must do

Eíther

Hístory or Geography

AND

EITHER

French or Spanish

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# Year 9 Options

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## Prince William School Key Stage 4 Options Form

Students should select ONE subject from list A and THREE further subjects from list B below. Please also select one additional subject as a reserve choice from list B. If students wish to undertake the English Baccalaureate then they will need to choose a language option and either History or Geography.

If no Reserve Option is chosen, then the school may allocate a subject based upon numbers and demand.

Please complete and submit this form by **Thursday 7 March 2024**. Forms that are submitted late will be considered after all other option forms have been processed.

Whilst we aim to accommodate all choices made by students, we do recommend that for Computer Science students should have achieved at least a grade 4 in Mathematics in their March Year 9 report in order to access this course at GCSE.

Whilst we intend to offer all of the subjects listed, if there are not enough students choosing any particular subject we may have to withdraw the subject and ask the students who have chosen it to choose a different one.

Click on Options Form

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1. Name \*

Enter your answer

2. Tutor/form group \*

☐ 9A

☐ 9B

☐ 9C

☐ 9D

☐ 9E

☐ 9F

☐ 9G

☐ 9H

Q1. Fill in your (student's) name  
Q2. Click on tutor group

3. List A option \*

- ☐ Computer Science
- ☐ French
- ☐ Geography
- ☐ History
- ☐ Spanish
- ☐ ASDAN: Bronze/Silver Award (with approval from the school's SENDCo)
- ☐ Support (with approval from the school's SENDCo)

Q3. Click on one choice from list A

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4. List B option 1 \*

- ☐ Additional Maths
- ☐ Art GCSE (if selecting this option, you would not be able to choose Graphic Communications)
- ☐ Business Studies GCSE (if selecting this option, you would not be able to choose Enterprise and Marketing)
- ☐ Computer Science GCSE
- ☐ Dance GCSE
- ☐ Design Technology GCSE
- ☐ Digital Information Technology BTEC
- ☐ Drama GCSE
- ☐ Enterprise and Marketing L2 Cambridge Nationals (if selecting this option, you would not be able to choose Business Studies)
- ☐ Food and Nutrition GCSE
- ☐ French GCSE (if selecting this option, you would not be able to choose Spanish)
- ☐ Geography GCSE
- ☐ Graphic Communications (if selecting this option, you would not be able to choose Art)

- ☐ Health and Social Care BTEC
- ☐ History GCSE
- ☐ Music GCSE
- ☐ Physical Education GCSE
- ☐ Religious Studies GCSE
- ☐ Sociology GCSE
- ☐ Spanish GCSE (if selecting this option, you would not be able to choose French)
- ☐ Support (with approval from the school's SENDCo)
- ☐ ASDAN Bronze/Silver Award (with approval from the school's SENDCo)

Q4. Click on first choice from List B.

Q5. Click on second choice from List B.

Q6. Click on third choice from List B.

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7. List B reserve choice \*

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Q7. Click on reserve choice from List B.

Click submit!

We cannot guarantee you will get the subjects you choose

- ▶ If numbers are too small some courses may not run
- ▶ If numbers are too big we may have to ask some students to choose a different subject
- ▶ Free choice enables a larger majority to get their preferred subject combination, but...
- ▶ If your choices don't fit with the columns created by the majority, you will be asked to choose a different subject
- ▶ It is crucial you put down a reserve choice and be willing to take that subject.

# Taking Control - Tips on how to choose

## Poor reasons for choosing a subject

- ▶ You think it will be easy
- ▶ Your friend is taking it and can help you
- ▶ Your brother/sister took the course
- ▶ You like your present teacher

## Good reasons for choosing a subject

- ▶ You are good at it
- ▶ You enjoy it
- ▶ It leaves your options open for the future
- ▶ It interests you
- ▶ It links with your career ideas
- ▶ It goes well with your other subjects

# What to do if you don't have a clue?

Don't panic!

Do use this evening to get as much info as possible

Do ask for help! (Parents, teachers, older students)

Do do your research!



**Follow your heart; keep doing what  
you enjoy most & what you're best at.**