



KS4 Options 2019 – 2021

THE CRESTWOOD SCHOOL

Pathways

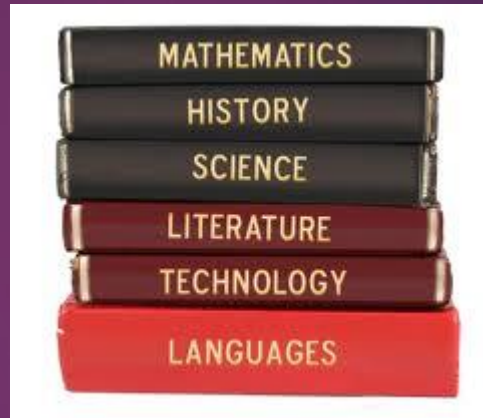
- ▶ Everyone will be placed on a Pathway
- ▶ The Pathway reflects your ability

Why are we doing this?

- ▶ GCSEs and BTECs are changing. GCSEs and BTECs are becoming more rigorous and demanding
- ▶ We want to give every child the best opportunity to succeed

What subjects must everyone continue with?

- ▶ English
- ▶ Maths.
- ▶ Science
- ▶ Core PE



What about....?

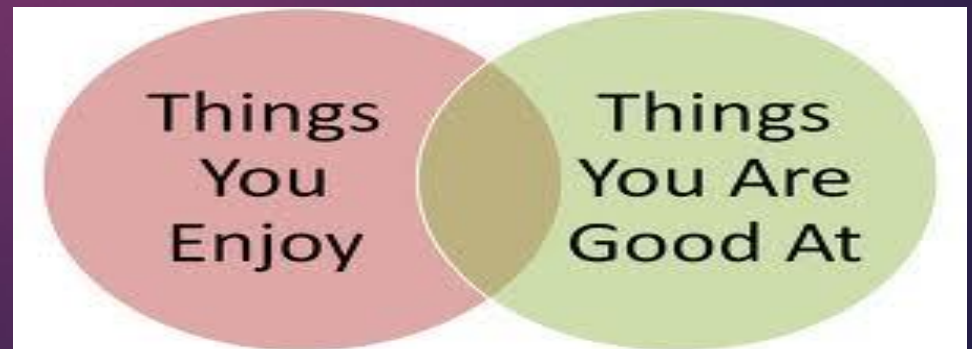
- ▶ MFL – Pathway 1 students will continue with French or German
- ▶ Most students will be expected to continue with either Geography, History or Computer Science
- ▶ RE – is compulsory in schools up to Year 11 at some level . Selected students will study GCSE RE. This will not count as an option choice.

Choices... choices ...
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How do I know which choices to make?

- ▶ Your ability - what are you good at?
- ▶ Your likes and dislikes – 2 years is a long time!!
- ▶ It's all about you. Not your friends!!
- ▶ Don't pick something because it "sounds nice". Do your research!
- ▶ Listen carefully to the presentations and information that your teachers have given you.
- ▶ Ask lots of questions!



Aspirations

- ▶ Your aspirations – are they high enough?
- ▶ Where do you see yourself? What do you need to study and what grades do you need to get there?
- ▶ Do your research!
- ▶ Work backwards!

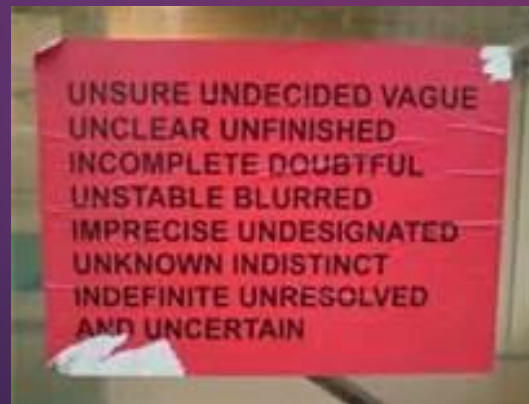


Where do you see yourself Post 16?

- ▶ Invictus VI at Crestwood?
- ▶ Apprenticeship?

Keep your options open if you are unsure.

Do you have a job or career in mind? Do your research!



Who should I listen and talk to ?

- ▶ Your teachers
- ▶ Your parents
- ▶ Your older brothers and sisters
- ▶ Our Post 16 students
- ▶ Connexions – Independent careers advice
- ▶ Careers and subject websites Eg UCAS
- ▶ Do your research!



What can I choose from?

Subjects include:

- ▶ GCSE Art and Design
- ▶ GCSE Computer Science
- ▶ GCSE Drama
- ▶ GCSE Film Studies
- ▶ GCSE Food and Nutrition
- ▶ GCSE Geography
- ▶ GCSE History
- ▶ GCSE Music
- ▶ GCSE Creative IMedia

What can I choose from ... continued?

- ▶ GCSE Product Design
- ▶ GCSE 3D Design
- ▶ GCSE Textiles
- ▶ GCSE Psychology
- ▶ BTEC Business Studies
- ▶ BTEC Digital Information Technology
- ▶ BTEC Sport
- ▶ BTEC Health and Social Care
- ▶ BTEC Travel and Tourism
- ▶ Animal Care at Halesowen College

There are no option blocks!! Why?

- ▶ Limits choice
- ▶ Limits creativity
- ▶ Limits those who have very clear goals
- ▶ Enables you to keep your options open!

We will try our best to ensure students get their choices but we won't make promises we can't keep!!

The Option Process

- ▶ Friday 1st March students spoken to during Curriculum Enhancement Day assemblies about different subjects
- ▶ Option booklets and Pathways issued to parents and students Thursday 7th 2019
- ▶ Friday 29th March deadline for the handing in of option forms to Mrs Sutton
- ▶ All option choices to be confirmed to students and parents by Easter 2019.

This is just the starting point!

- ▶ The school website will have tonight's presentation and Options Booklet on it tomorrow morning.
- ▶ We are here to help. Ask us anything!
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