

Year 9 Options Evening 2025 – 2027



Welcome from Mr Newman



Welcome from Mr Megaw





Your educational journey

Aim of the evening:

- Opportunity to speak to staff about the subjects available
- Understand the options process and what takes place
- Know the deadline for submitting options





Support

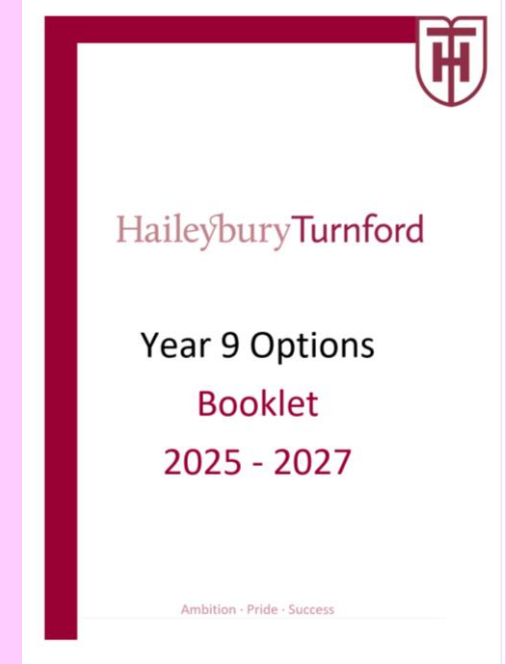
Options Evening

Marketplace of subjects

Options Handbook

Published on our website

Hard copies handed out tonight



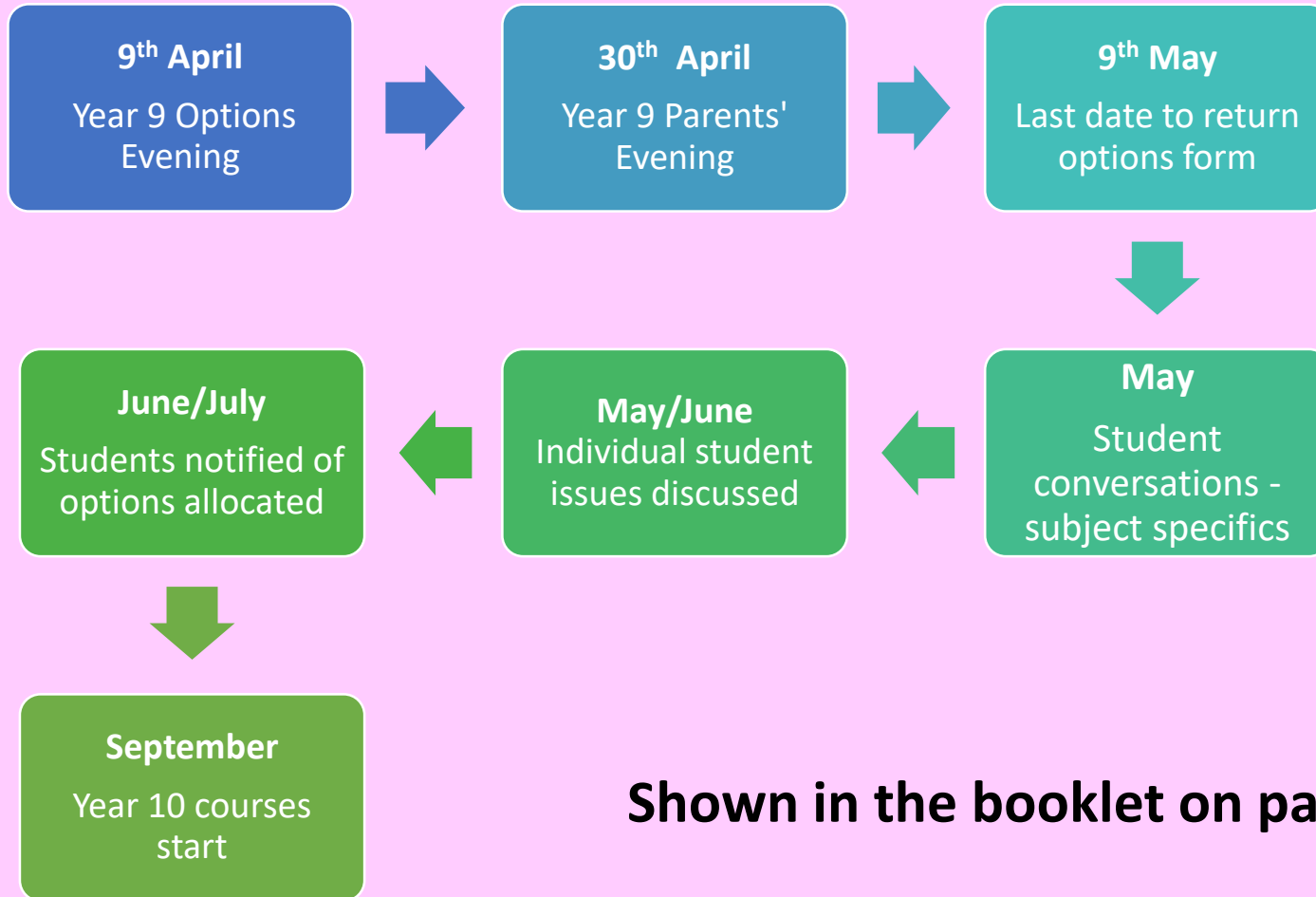
Parents' Evening

Wednesday 30th April

Face to face



Timeline



Shown in the booklet on page 3



What is the Key Stage 4 Curriculum?

Core Subjects

English – 9 hours

Maths – 9 hours

Science – 9 hours

Physical Education – 2 hours

Personal & Social Development (PSD) – 1 hour

Option subjects

4 x 5 hour blocks



Science



Triple Science

- Pre-selected class
- Data, prior attainment, progress and projected outcomes
- Will form one of the option choices – will fit into one of the option blocks

Combined Science

- Students are still expected to achieve strong grades – 7s and above are possible
- Will not reduce options at the next stage of a student's educational journey



Option Subjects

Fit into 4 x 5 hour blocks

Humanities

- History
- Geography

- Art
- Business Studies
- Child Development
- Computing Science
- Dance
- Design Technology
- Digital Information Technology
- Drama
- Engineering
- Hospitality & Catering
- Media Studies
- Music
- Religious Studies
- Personal Finance
- Photography
- Spanish
- Sport Science
- Sports Studies



Each student must pick at least one of the following:

Humanities - Pick 1 from the following list

Geography

History

Taken from Option form



Each student must pick at least one vocational option:

<u>Vocational</u> - Pick 1 from the following list			
Child Development		Dance	
Drama		Engineering Design	
Hospitality & Catering		Digital Information Technology	
Creative iMedia		Music	
Sports Studies		Sports Science	

* Triple Science students form is different

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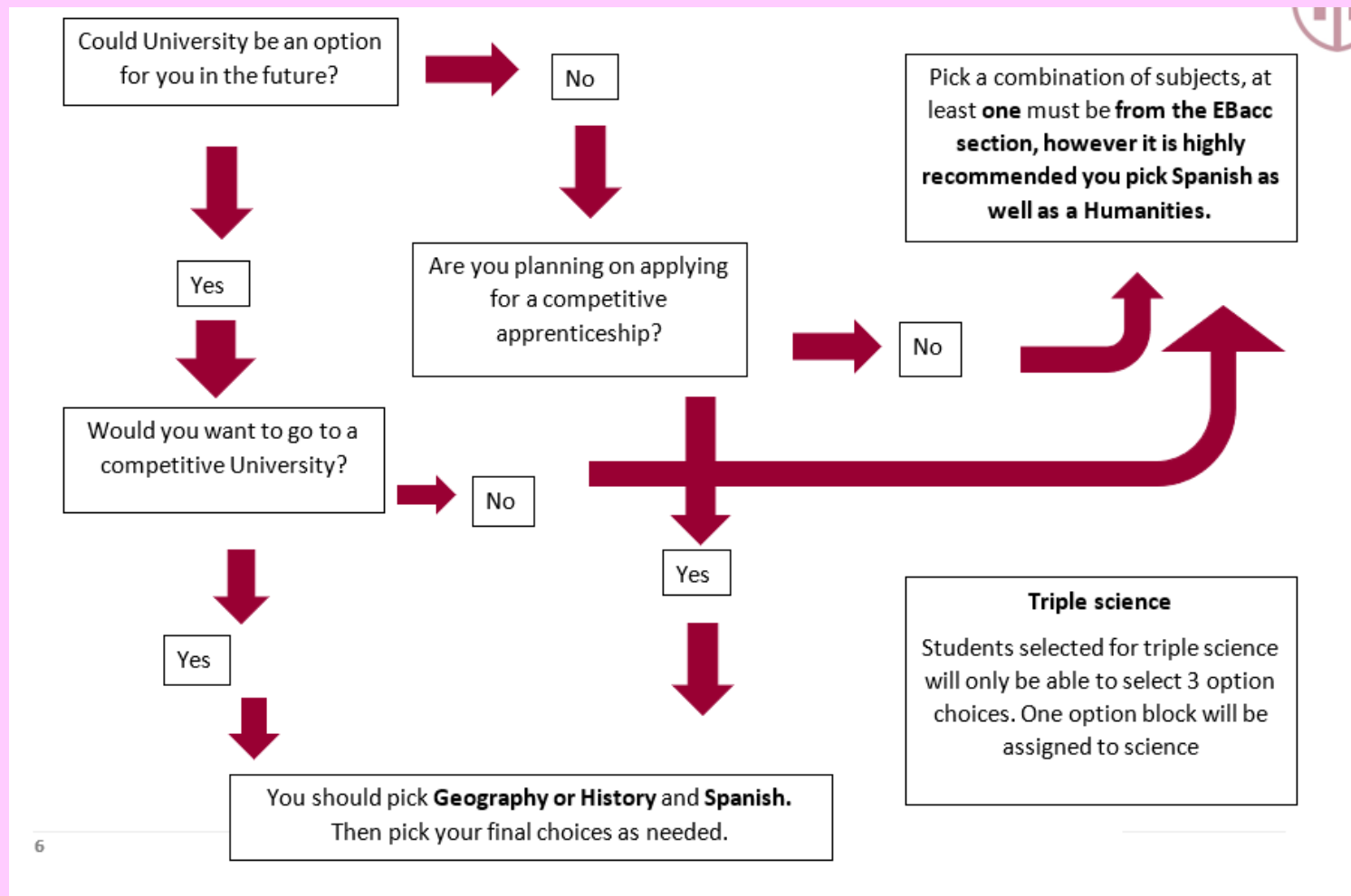


Free choice for remaining subject areas:

Choice - Pick 2 more from the following list			
Art		Business Studies	
Child Development		Computing Science	
Dance		Drama	
Design & Technology		Engineering	
Hospitality & Catering		Geography	
History		Digital Information Technology	
Creative iMedia		Music	
Personal Finance		Photography	
Religious Studies		Spanish	
Sports Studies		Sport Science	

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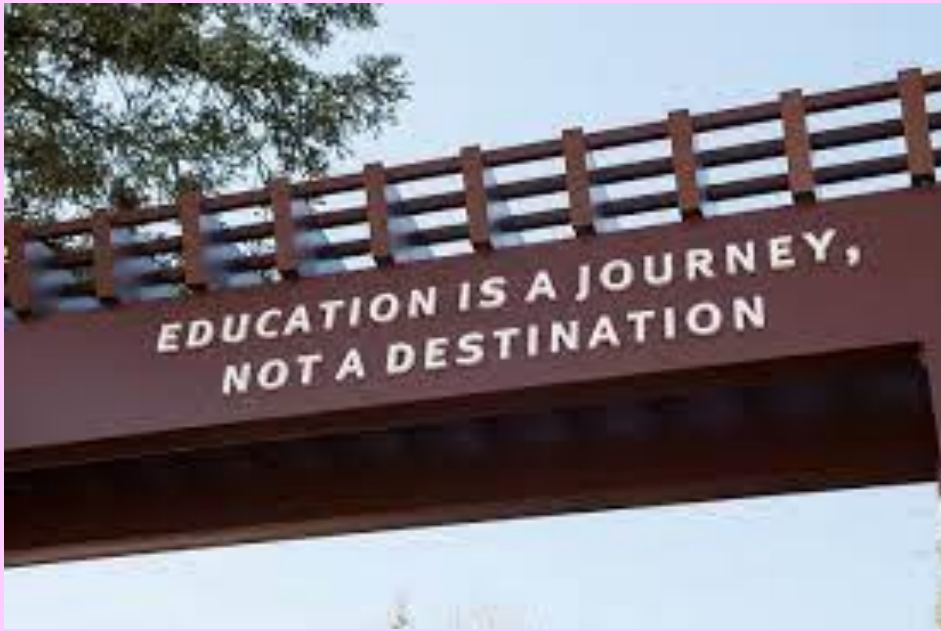




Competitive university or apprenticeship?

Think about the EBacc suite





Picking the right choices is key for the right journey





Picking your Options

- No rush
- No first come first served process
- Wait until after Parents' Evening
- Students have a personalised options form in your envelopes
- Must meet the deadline – **Friday 9th May**
- **Form returned to reception**



Class Sizes

We do have a minimum number needed
to run each subject

We also have a maximum number for
subjects



Options software



- All choices are entered onto a data base
- Software looks at the year group as a collective
- Assigns these choices of subjects into 4 option blocks
- Sometimes choices don't fit – students will be spoken to about this

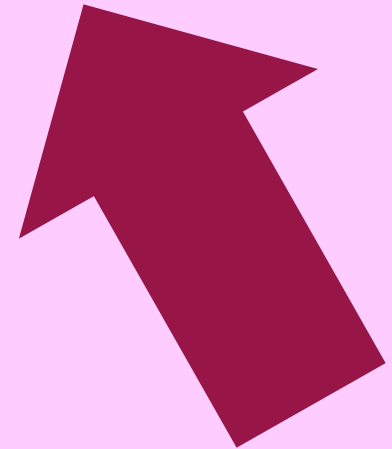
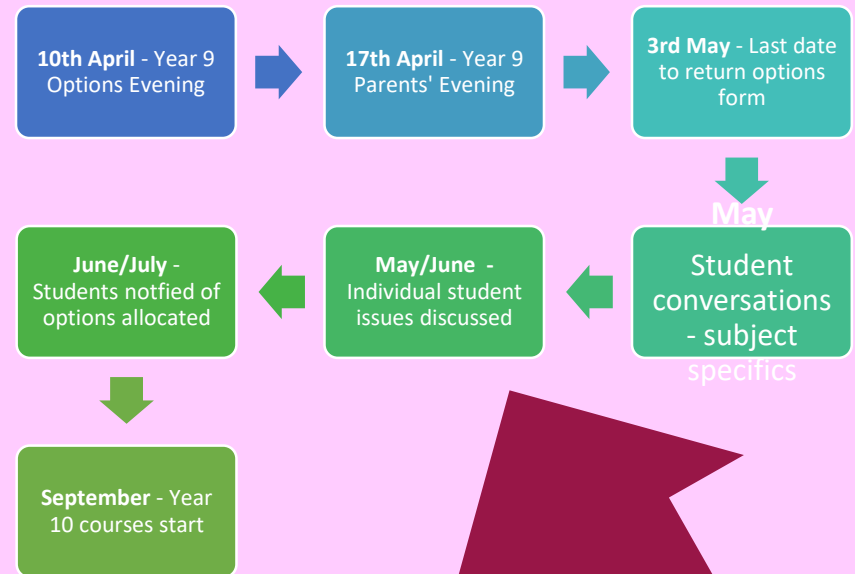


Interview

Every student will receive an interview:

- Year 9 Pastoral Team
- OR
- Member of the Senior Leadership Team

Discussion around your choices & how they are linked to your future



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. Can I change my Science group?

No. We know what you should be achieving at the end of Year 11.
We know what is best for you and your future.

2. Will I have the same teacher as I have this year?

This cannot be guaranteed.

Do not pick a subject because you like how the teacher delivers the sessions.

3. Will I be in the same class as my friends?

Not always.

Do not pick subjects based on what your friends are doing.

4. Can I change my options in September?

Not really!

You have experienced all subjects at KS3 and you should know what they contain.



Market place



- Staff from each subject available for questions
- Speak to staff about your child's choices



Thank you for your time this evening

Speak to staff in the Marketplace

Speak to staff at Parents' Evening – 30th April

Complete your options forms

Deadline is **Friday 9th May**

Return to reception

