

# Kendrick School



**KEY STAGE 4 CURRICULUM  
AND  
YEAR 10 OPTIONS  
2019-2021**

# Introduction



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- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February period 3: Year 9 Options talk
- All students will receive **Year 10 Options Booklet** which gives details of all the courses at KS4 and references to all the exam specification details
- The booklet and this Powerpoint presentation will be on the school website
- Please use the booklet to:
- Gain information about all the subjects.
- Please note: some GCSE specifications have changed and are very different from previous courses.

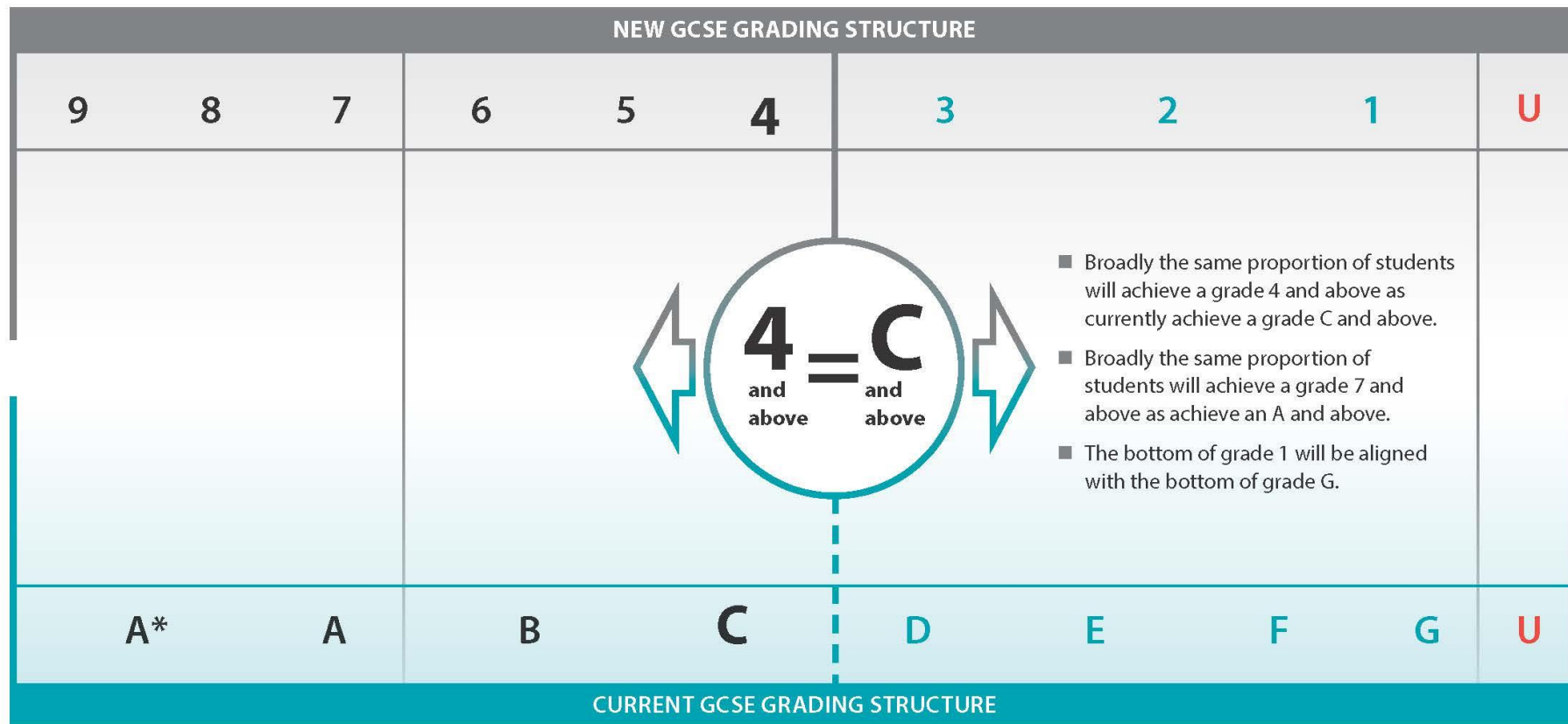
# Introduction



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- Please use the booklet to:
- Learn what a subject is like at GCSE level
- What skills will be acquired
- What skills are required
  
- Consider:
- **WHAT you enjoy or like to do – what you are interested in, what will stimulate and enthuse you for the next two years**
- **WHAT will provide you a breadth and balance in terms of content and assessment requirements**
- **WHAT you ought to do (re: university / career).**

# Grading the New GCSEs in 2017



# Students will do 11 GCSEs in 3 Categories



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- Compulsory
- Choice within Compulsory Subject Area
- Free Choice

# Compulsory



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All will do:

- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Science (Biology, Chemistry)
- Physics -counts as 3)

**= 6 subjects**

# GCSE English



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- English Language
- English Literature
- All students are entered for both GCSEs, leading to certification in both subjects.
- The students will be taught in their Year 10 tutor groups.

# GCSE Mathematics



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- All students will be prepared for the GCSE qualification in Mathematics at the Higher tier.
- Students will sit three examination papers.
- The course fulfils the requirements of the national curriculum and builds on the mathematics taught at KS3. The subject will be taught in sets based on previous progress.



# GCSE Science



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- The GCSE course in the 3 separate sciences is taught over 3 years, starting at the beginning of Year 9.
- All students will therefore continue to study the 3 separate sciences through KS4 leading to a GCSE in each of Biology, Chemistry and Physics.
- The students will be taught in their Year 10 tutor groups.

# Choice within Compulsory Subject Area



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All will do:

- A Humanity
- A Language

**= 2 subjects**

# Humanity



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- Geography
- History
- Religious Studies

# Language



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- French
- German

# This makes 8 subjects



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So the final **three** subjects can be chosen from:

- The 3 subjects **NOT** chosen from the Humanities group and Languages group
- The 9 subjects which are not in the compulsory category



# These are:

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- French
- German
- Geography
- History
- Religious Studies
- Business
- Latin
- Art and Design
- Art and Design – Textile Design
- Computing
- Drama
- Food Preparation and Nutrition
- Music
- Physical Education



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- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Science (Triple Award: Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
- Humanity
- Language
- Three from the remaining twelve subjects

# Compulsory Subjects (Non Examination)



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- Tutor Period
- Personal, Social, Health & Citizenship Education (PSHCE)
- Work Related Learning
- Physical Education (P.E.)
- Religious Studies (R.S.)
- Computer Skills



# The Process



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- English, Maths and Science are timetabled separately.
- The students will be asked to choose 7 subjects in choice order.
- All other subjects will be grouped in five blocks to enable a “best fit” for as many students as possible.
- It may be necessary for some students to consider their 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> choice, if one of their first 5 doesn't fit the groupings.

# Sample option lines

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**SAMPLE LINES. NB THESE WILL VARY EACH YEAR ACCORDING TO STUDENT CHOICES**

LINE 1	LINE 2	LINE 3	LINE 4	LINE 5
BUSINESS	COMPUTER SCIENCE	BUSINESS	BUSINESS	ART
FRENCH	GEOGRAPHY	GEOGRAPHY	DRAMA	TEXTILES
GERMAN	GERMAN	GERMAN	FRENCH	FOOD NUTRITION
MUSIC	HISTORY	LATIN	GEOGRAPHY	HISTORY
		REL. STUDIES	P.E.	P.E.

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# The Process

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In trying for the best fit, the final outcome depends on:

- Number of students wishing to study each subject.
- Number of groups required for each subject
- Available staffing and accommodation
- Subject combinations

# Website Pathway



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- Click on to website
- Students
- Year 10 Options
- Select document
- Contains: Booklet, PowerPoint presentation,



# Dates

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- **Year 9 Options talk – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February** – the students will be given their options talk, the options booklet and sent an e-mail link to the Google Options form they will need to complete.
- **Parents' Consultation Afternoon: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March** – opportunity to discuss with subject teachers
- **Deadline** for completion of Options forms via Google is: **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

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