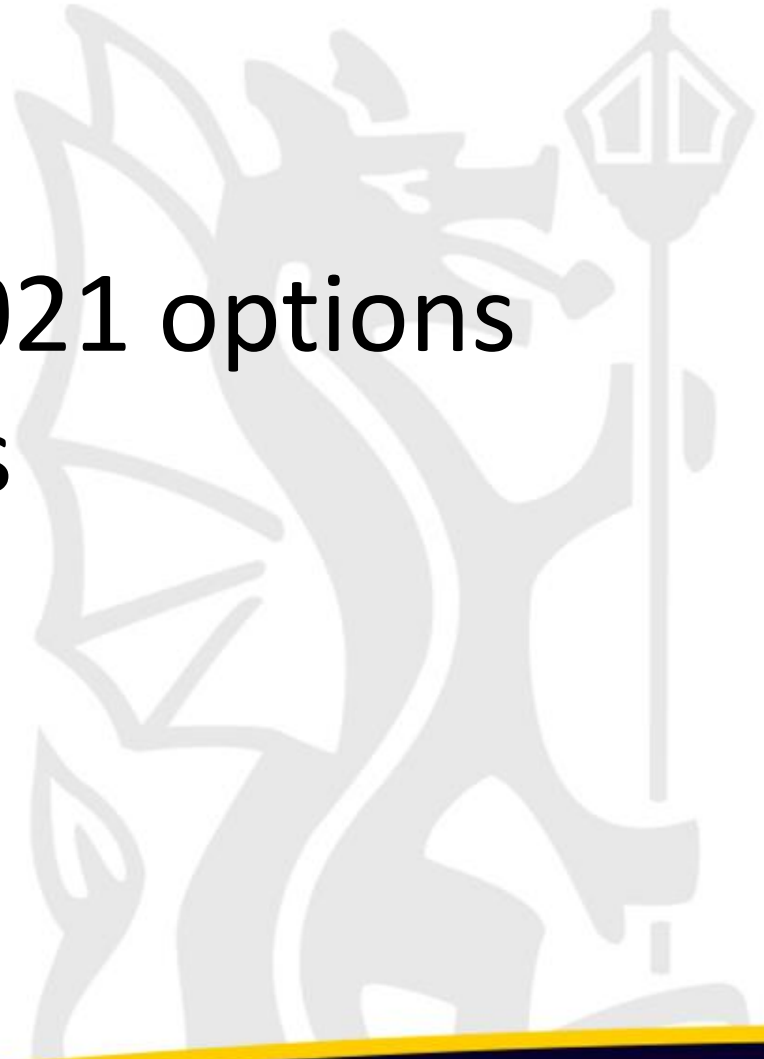


Introduction to 2021 options process





Our curriculum aims to.....

- Provide access to breadth, balance and choice for all
- Meet the needs and aspirations of all students
- Enable all students to make better than expected progress
- Provide clear post 16 pathways
- Ensure that national expectations are met

Core curriculum

- All of our students complete GCSEs in English Language, English Literature, Mathematics and Science (25 lessons per fortnight)
- In addition our core curriculum includes PE, PHSE and World Studies (5 lessons per fortnight)



Progress 8 measure

- Progress of every student is measured against national progress
- Positive if achievement is better than average, negative if not
- English and maths count double points
- Qualifications arranged into three buckets





Progress 8 Curriculum



Bucket 1: English and Mathematics



Bucket 2: Baccalaureate Subjects (Science, Humanities and Languages) 3 GCSEs



Bucket 3: Other options subjects (GCSE or Vocational) 3 Qualifications



The options process



Bucket 1 is covered. All students take both English qualifications and mathematics



Bucket 2 already contains at least two science qualifications for all students. It is filled by choosing either a humanities, language or computing at GCSE Level



Bucket 3 is filled with three additional options choices



Changes to assessment

- All GCSEs started in September 2016 are graded from 1 to 9
- The majority of GCSE qualifications are assessed with terminal examinations only
- Vocational qualifications combine exams and teacher assessments





Choosing your options

- What are you good at?
- Which subjects do you enjoy?
- What are your career plans?
- Find out about subjects you have not studied in KS3 (business, health and social care, media and psychology)
- Go through the options section of the school website (www.huishepiscopi.net)
- Request an online meeting or phone consultation (options@huishepiscopi.net)



Things to consider

- Which topics are studied?
- Is there any coursework that needs to be completed?
- What is the split between examination and practical assessments?
- How many examinations are there?
- How are the examinations structured?

