



NORTON CANES HIGH SCHOOL

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Year 9 options evening

Dear parents / carers

We are holding our year 9 options information evening in school on Thursday 24th March. The evening will begin at 6.30 with a short presentation in the theatre. This will be followed by 4 sessions where subject teachers will be present information and answer questions on individual subjects.

As a school we are constantly challenged by the expectations of parents, students, employers and the Government to provide a broad, stimulating and relevant curriculum which meets the needs of our youngsters in a modern technological society. Our option program this year reflects this and, in fact, allows the opportunity to study traditional subjects as well as introducing new and exciting courses. It also reflects the current 14-19 government reform in ensuring pupils remain in education until the age of 19, with several pathways through to Post 16.

Compulsory subjects

All students will study **English Language, English Literature, Maths, Science, Physical Education, PSHCE (including some Religious Education) and Financial Education.**

Option subjects

Students are required to make 3 option choices for study in years 10 and 11.

At least one choice must come from the 'Ebacc' subjects of either **French, History or Geography.**

The remaining choices are from **Art, Business Studies, Child Development, Computer Science, Design & Technology, Drama, Food & Nutrition, Health & Social Care, iMedia, Music, Religious Studies, Sports Science, Triple Award Science** as well as the possibility of the other Ebacc subjects. Each of these subjects lead to either a GCSE qualification at grades 9-1 or Cambridge National / BTEC qualification at Level 2 or 1 (equivalent to GCSE).

The option choices allow pupils to have as wide a choice as possible of studying subjects which they enjoy and which will allow them to work towards their chosen career.

Making your choices

Once you have considered your option choices, the option selection process is done online after Thursday 24th March. Invitations to enable students to login into this, will be emailed to students' school email address following the options evening. Please look out for them. The deadline for option choices is **Wednesday 6th April 2022**.

As always, no school can provide every imaginable combination of subjects, but we will do our best to meet your child's preferences.

Planning for the information evening.

In order to help you plan which subject presentations to visit on the evening, please use the table below.

Presentation in the theatre at 6.30, followed by 4 sessions:

Subject	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
French				
History				
Geography				
Art				
Business Studies				
Child Development				
Computer Science & iMedia				
Design Technology				
Drama				
Food and Nutrition				
Health and Social Care				
Music				
Religious Studies				
Sports Science				
Triple Science				

Further information about all of our courses is available at

[Year 9 Option information 2022 | Norton Canes High School](#)

Should you require any additional information on specific subjects then please contact the member of staff directly, who will be only too happy to answer your questions.

Naturally, the school is always be happy to discuss option choices with you on a personal basis. If students / parents wish to discuss their choices then please get in contact with me at i.windsor@nortoncanes-high.staffs.sch.uk.

Your sincerely

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