

# Year 8 Options 2020

Making the right choices



# Welcome

This powerpoint will aim to answer your questions on:

- Options Process
- Core Subjects
- Welsh Baccalaureate Skills Challenge
- Option Subjects
- Questions



# Option Process

## Read the booklet

- You have received a Schoop message with a link to the Option Booklet.
- This booklet is also available on the school website.
- Consider all the options on offer.
- Think about your strengths and how the subjects on offer will match these.



# Option Process

## Discuss with your parents

- Look at your year 8 reports. Identify the subjects you are doing well at.
- If you have any questions email the Director of Learning for the subject.
- If necessary book a meeting with a member of the Leadership Team.



# Option Process

## Complete the Options Form

- Option form available from Schoop and the website.
- Make sure you list your choices in order of preference. Top 3 and then 3 more reserves
- Email the form to Mrs Hand ([allysonh@crickhowell-hs.powys.sch.uk](mailto:allysonh@crickhowell-hs.powys.sch.uk)) by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020 at the latest



# Option Process

The school will  
process option forms

- The school will consider your preferences and may wish to discuss these with you if necessary
- Your choices will be circulated to subject staff to confirm that they feel you have the right pathway



# Option Process

## Options communicated

- The school will send you a letter showing your finalised options – this will be sent by 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020.
- You need to return the agreement slip from the letter to make sure you keep your options.



# Core Subjects

Under the Welsh Qualification Framework all students are required to study the following core subjects to GCSE.

- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Mathematics – Numeracy
- Double Science (Students can opt to extend this to Triple Science)
- Welsh
- Welsh Baccalaureate Skills Challenge Certificate

In addition to this students will study Health and Wellbeing (including aspects of PE short course) and Religion, Philosophy and Ethics (including RS short or full course)





# Welsh Baccalaureate Skills Challenge Certificate

The Welsh Baccalaureate Skills Challenge Certificate is a Level 2 qualification equivalent to 1 GCSE and like GCSE's it is graded from A\*-G.

There are four aspects to this course

- Global
- Community
- Enterprise and Employability
- Independent Project

All aspects are designed to draw on and develop cross-curricula skills relevant to students' future **academic study and employment.**



# Option Subject Choices

In order to maximise the number of students being able to study their first choices of options in 2020 we are using “free” option choices rather than placing subjects in set blocks.

Students may choose **three** subjects from the Non-core list featured in the option booklet.

We are asking students to select their top 3 subjects and to give 3 reserve subjects (in order of preference).



# Optional Subject Choices

Art and Design

Business Studies

Computer Science

Design Technology

Drama

Food and Nutrition

French

Geography

German

Global Communications in  
French

History

ICT

Mandarin

Media

Music

Physical Education (Full course)

Triple Science

Work Skills

**\* Courses will not run if too few students opt for them**



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If you have any questions please email us :-

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