

# Year 9 Options Information Evening 2024



# Key Stage 4

- Builds on work covered during Key Stage 3;
- Focuses on high achievement for all students;
- Offers options to suit the needs of our students;
- High value qualifications to help support post-16 choices.





# **Compulsory Subjects**

- English Language and English Literature;
- Mathematics;
- Combined Science (unless you opted for triple);
- PSD (Personal & Social Development including core RE & PSHE – non exam);
- PE (Core non exam)





### **Future Needs**

- Colleges and Sixth Forms (and universities) are increasingly looking for a broad and balanced curriculum to have been studied with a focus on EBacc subjects (the English Baccalaureate).
  - English
  - Mathematics
  - Sciences

- Humanities (Geography or History)
- Languages (French or Spanish)



# Why study the Ebacc?



#### Maths, English, Science, MFL and Geography or History

- The English Baccalaureate includes academic subjects highly valued by some colleges and universities
- Our members value language skills but there is no universal entry requirement for students to have studied a modern foreign language at GCSE or equivalent. Check whether there are any course-specific requirements.
- Cognitive importance of languages
- Broadening horizons, cultural understanding
- Excellent foundations for studying A-Levels







# **Other GCSE Option Subjects**

- Art;
- Business Studies;
- Computer Science;
- Design & Technology;
- Drama;
- Curriculum Access; (by invitation from Mrs Hill)

- Food Preparation & Nutrition;
- Music;
- Physical Education;
- Religious Studies;
- Triple Science.





### Choose 4 option subjects and a Reserve.

#### **Ebacc Pathway:**

Humanities (Hist, Geog) + Language (French, Spanish) + 2 further options

**General Pathway:** 

One option from each of the blocks

Support Pathway:

Curriculum Access + 3 options



### **Our Option Blocks**

Option Block A	Option Block B	Option Block C	Option Block D
Business	Business	Business	Art
Drama	Computer Science	D & T	Food
French	Geography	Geography	History
Geography	History	History	PE
German	<b>Triple Science</b> (Separate GCSE courses in Biology, Chemistry and Physics)	Music	RS
Business	Curriculum Access		



### Be informed:

- Talk to subject staff;
- Read the options booklet;
- Check requirements linked to future career plans;
- Ask questions.





### Good reasons for choosing a course:

- You're good at the subject;
- You think you will enjoy it;
- It goes well with your other choices;
- You're interested in the knowledge and skills it develops;
- It will give you plenty of choice in the future;
- You think you might want to continue studying it.





#### Bad reasons for choosing a course:

- Your friends are doing it;
- People say it's easy;
- You think it's a good course for a boy/girl;
- Someone else thinks it's a good idea but you disagree;
- You like the teacher you have now;
- You don't have time to research your options.





#### Things to consider when submitting choices:

- Attitude 4 Learning
- Order in which choices are placed

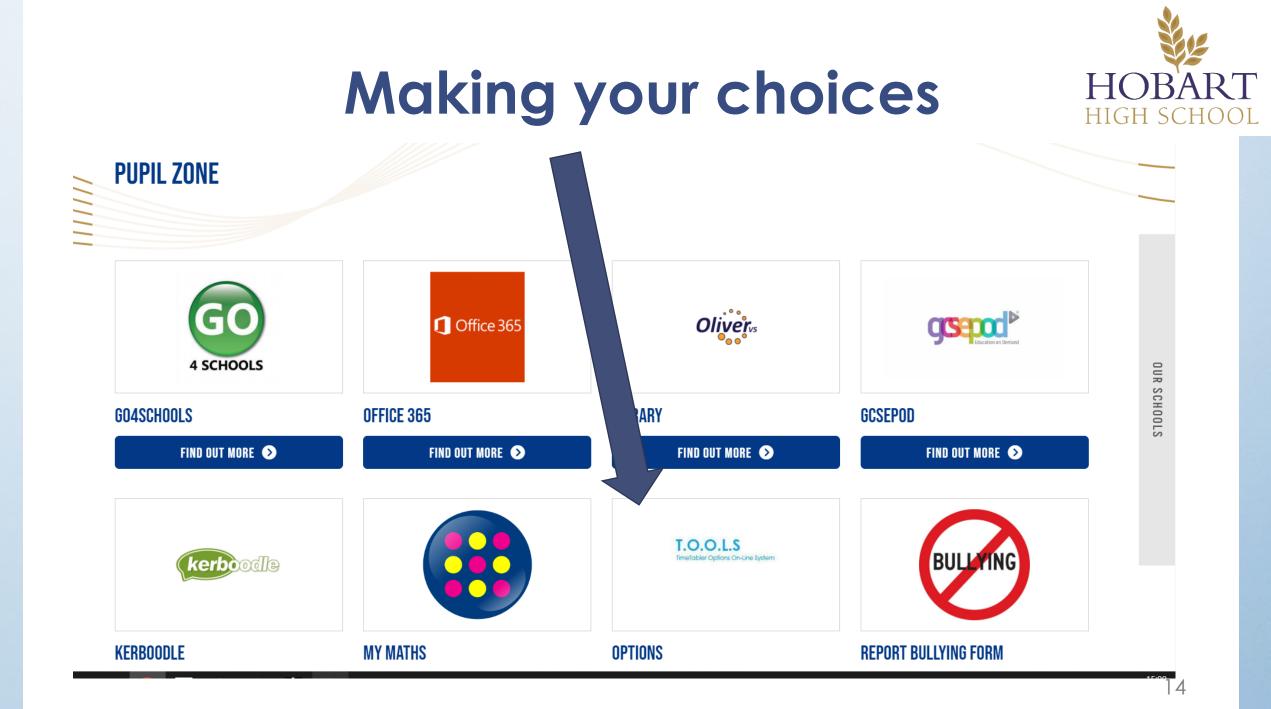
Please note that we cannot guarantee any subject choice for any student. Some subjects may not run if there is insufficient interest from pupils.



#### Go to school website:

#### www.hobart.org.uk









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#### Collecting Student Choices On-line

Please enter your details:

Username: Submit





Please enter your 4 choices by entering 1, 2, 3, etc. in the box by your chosen subjects.

To mark your Reserve choice, put 'R' by that subject.

Submit Reset this form





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Business (Bu)		3	
Curriculum Acce (Ca)			
Computer Scienc (Cs)			
Drama (Dr)			
Design Technolo (DT)			
Food Technology (Fo)			
French (Fr)		2	
Geography (Gg)			
History (Hi)			
Music (Mu)			
Physical Educat (Pe)		1	
Religious Studi (Rs)			
Spanish (Sp)			
Triple Science (Ts)		4	

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### What to do now

- Don't rush or rule anything out at this stage;
- Talk to your teachers and/or form tutor;
- Talk about the different courses at home;
- Complete your options form online.







### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Deadline for choices





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Thank you for listening

