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**Options Launch
February 2025**

***Why is this a big moment in
your Wymondham College
journey?***



Our Curriculum



Our Core Curriculum Years 9-11

- English Language and Literature
 - Mathematics
 - Triple Science (GCSE Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
 - Humanities (History and/or Geography)
 - MFL (French and/or Spanish)
 - PE and Games
 - PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health & Citizenship Education)
 - Core Technology (Year 9 only)
 - Creative Arts (Year 9 only)
 - Core ICT (Year 9 only)
 - Floreat lessons (Year 9 only)
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Creative Arts

Y9 Creative Arts – Overview

The Creative Arts curriculum is delivered via the medium of Music, Drama, and Art. Alongside enabling students to enhance their appreciation of the arts and to develop their creativity, it also offers students opportunities to develop skills in teamwork, collaboration, and problem-solving

Choices



Languages and Humanities

French or Spanish – ***students will carry on the one that they have studied in Year 7 and 8, but they can do both if they want to.*** We would only recommend this if the student has been learning the second language (in addition to the one studied at College) either at home or via a club.

Geography or History – ***students can study both if they want to.***

Other subjects

A choice of two and a reserve from:

Fine Art, Photography, Textiles, Business, Computer Science,
Design and Technology, Drama, Food, Geography, History, Music,
Physical Education, Sociology, Religious Studies

Students can choose only **one** from Fine Art, Textiles or Photography as these subjects are all taken from the same exam specification.

Considerations



Good reasons to choose a subject ✓	Bad reasons to choose a subject ✗
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You are interested in it and enjoy it• You have ability in it• It matches up well with your other options• You have spoken to the teachers who teach that subject at GCSE• It links to your future plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Your friends/siblings are choosing/chose that subject• You think it will be easy• You like the teacher who currently teaches you that subject

A layer of protection

The Wymondham College Curriculum is extremely rigorous, ambitious, broad and balanced.

The Options process has been designed in a way to enable some personalisation of the curriculum while also ensuring you leave with a good range of academic subjects, powerful knowledge, and cultural capital.

Choose carefully but remember.

These choices will not define, restrict or prevent you from achieving your goals.

The Process



GCSE Options Timeline 2025

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Year 8 Parents' Evening

w/b 18th November 2024

An opportunity to discuss progress & attainment in each subject with the teacher.

Options Presentation Evening

11th February 2025

A presentation for students and parents.
A curriculum event to allow students to explore and discuss the options available to them at GCSE.

Launch Assembly to Year 8 students

12th February 2025

An introduction to the options process and importance of making the right choices.

Options Form available

13th February 2025

An online form will be accessible with clear instructions about possible choices.

Options Form Deadline

14th March 2025

All options should have been selected and submitted.

Subject Taster Sessions

13/02/25 – 07/03/25

Subjects which students have not had the opportunity to experience as part of their KS3 curriculum (Sociology, Business) will run subject taster sessions during this time.