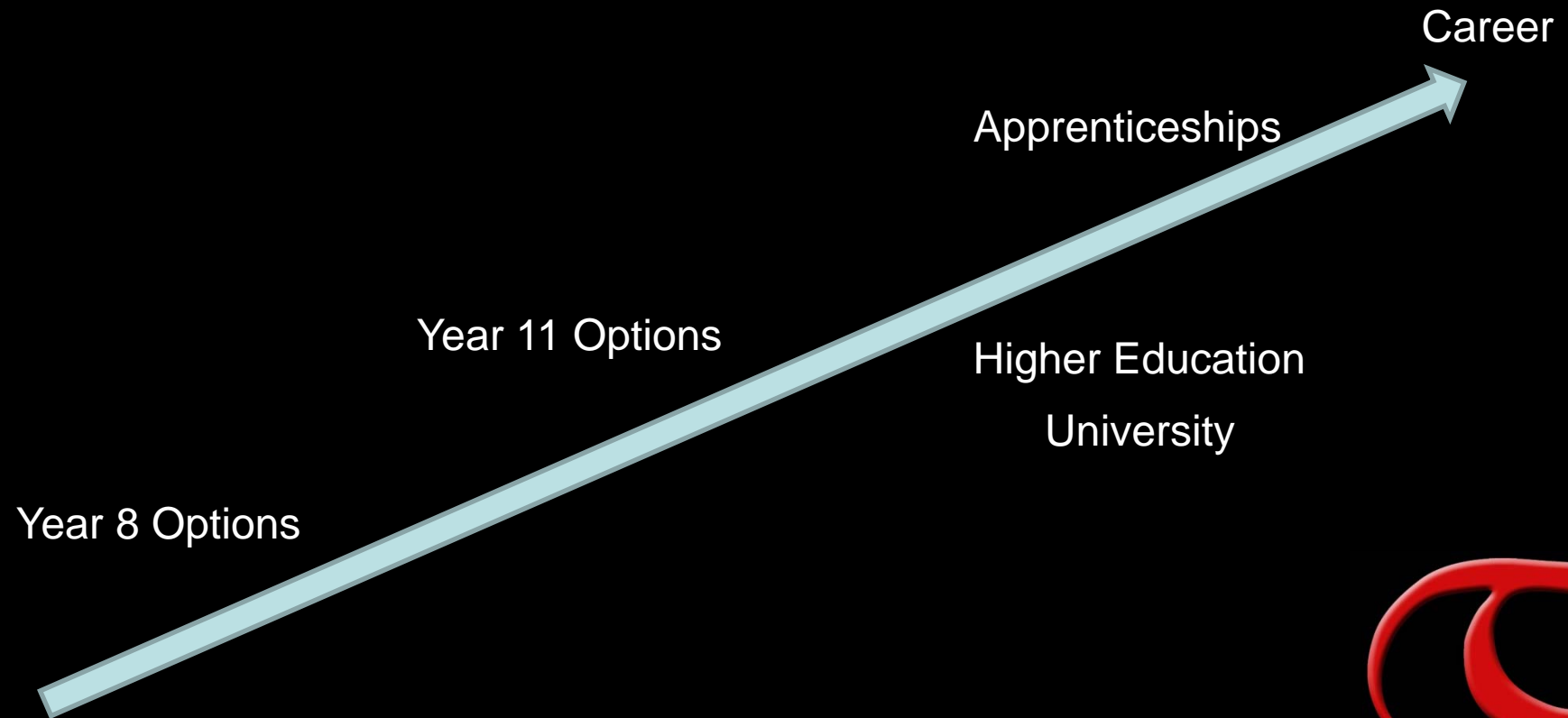

Year 8 Options Evening



Where do you want to end up?



Career

- What do you want to do?
- What do you need to be able to do this?

University – Higher Education

- Students apply to university in year 13
- Look at the UCAS website
- What do you need?
- Not many subjects are essential for courses, however, for some vocational courses (medicine, veterinary science, etc.) there are compulsory subjects at both GCSE and A-Level

Apprenticeships

Name	Level	Equivalent educational level
Intermediate	2	5 GCSE passes at grades A*-C
Advanced	3	2 A level passes
Higher	4, 5, 6 and 7	Foundation degree
Degree	6 and 7	Bachelor's or masters degree

What's available?

- Arborist
- Bricklaying
- Business administration
- Chef
- Childcare
- Customer service
- Farm
- Fabrication and welding
- Hairdressing
- Health and social care
- Outdoor education
- Professional cookery
- Teacher
- Teaching assistant
- Window fitter

And many more, this is just in a 10 mile radius of Tavistock



Year 11 Options

A	B	C	D	E
Core Mathematics BTEC Health and Social Care History Media Studies RSL Music Practitioners Physics Spanish BTEC Sport	Art Business Studies Computing English Literature Food Mathematics Psychology Sociology	Biology BTEC Creative Media Games Design English Language Law CTEC Performing Arts Product Design Psychology BTEC Science	Art Photography Business Applied Chemistry English Literature Geography Japanese Mathematics RE	Further Mathematics GCSE English Retake GCSE Mathematics Retake
BTEC Sport Double	BTEC Sport Double			

Year 8 Options

- Core Curriculum
- Compulsory Subjects
- Personalised Options

Curriculum Model

Year	Maths	English Language and Literature	Science	Ethics and Beliefs	PE	Compulsory Subject	Option	Option	Option
9	8 hours	8 hours	9 hours	4 hours	5 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours
10 & 11	7 hours	8 hours	12 hours	3 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours

Core Curriculum

- English language and literature
- Mathematics
- Science (double or triple)
- Ethics and beliefs
- PE

Compulsory Subjects

- Students must choose at least 1 subject from this list.
- This is to ensure a broad and balanced curriculum.
 - ❖ Computing
 - ❖ French
 - ❖ Geography
 - ❖ History
 - ❖ Japanese
 - ❖ Spanish

Personalised Options

- Students need to choose no more than 3 of these subjects
- Choose 1 reserve option

Creative Arts

- Art and design
- BTEC Creative media
- BTEC Dance (done in core PE time)
- Drama
- Media studies
- Music
- BTEC Music
- Photography

Humanities

- Business
- Geography *
- History *

Modern Foreign Languages

- French *
- Japanese *
- Spanish *

Physical Education

- Physical education

Social Studies

- Psychology

Technology

- Child development and care
- Computing *
- BTEC Construction (double option)
- Design and technology
- Food preparation and nutrition
- Textiles design

The English Baccalaureate

- Made up of the more traditional academic subjects
 - You should consider this if you are thinking of university, particularly the Russell Group or Oxbridge.
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- ❖ English
 - ❖ Mathematics
 - ❖ Science
 - ❖ One of the humanities (geography or history)
 - ❖ Modern foreign language

New Curriculum

- Very little, if any, coursework
- No A*-G grades
- New scale of 9-1

New Curriculum

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	A*
8	A
7	A
6	B
5	B
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
1	G
U	U

GOOD PASS (DfE)
5 and above = top of C and above

AWARDING
4 and above = bottom of C and above

New Curriculum

- Broadly the same proportion of students will achieve a grade 4 and above as currently achieve a grade C and above
- Broadly the same proportion of students will achieve a grade 7 and above as currently achieve a grade A and above
- Broadly the same proportion of students will achieve a grade 1 and above as currently achieve a grade G and above

Timescales

- Options evening 21st November
- Options interviews start Monday 27th November
- Year 8 Parents' Evening, Thursday 7th December
- Option forms handed in by 19th January
- Options finalised and confirmation sent out by Easter

Student Name: «Forename» «Surname»

Tutor Group: «Reg»

The **Core Offer** for all students the core offer is as follows:

Mathematics, English Language and English Literature, Science, Ethics and Beliefs & PE

Options:

Please choose **4 subjects** plus a ***reserve** (that we may use if we are unable to match your preferred option choices). Please indicate your choices in order of preference so 1 being the subject that you most want to do and 5 being the least favourite. All students must take at least one subject from the compulsory subjects list (highlighted in grey).

Important:

All students wanting to progress to Higher Education (University) should consider taking The English Baccalaureate. This consists of students taking English, mathematics, science from the core offer and either geography or history and a modern language from the options. The Baccalaureate subjects are those traditionally deemed 'academic' courses that the government have listed as key gateway subjects to further academic learning.

Course (Compulsory subjects are shaded below)	Preference 1-5	Course	Preference 1-5
GCSE Computing		GCSE Design and Technology	
GCSE French		GCSE Drama	
GCSE Spanish		GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition	
GCSE Geography		GCSE Media Studies	
GCSE History		GCSE Music	
GCSE Japanese		BTEC Music	
GCSE Art & Design		GCSE PE	
GCSE Business		GCSE Photography	
GCSE Child Development & Care		GCSE Psychology	
BTEC Construction (2 Options)		GCSE Textiles Design	
BTEC Creative Media			

***Reserve Option (Number 5):-** Please also ensure you select a **5th option** as a reserve. We will use this in the event of not being able to offer or match your choices.

Do you want to take BTEC Dance in core PE time? Yes No

SIGNED :(Student)	Date:
SIGNED :(Parent)	Date:
Date Received in School:	

FAQ

Can any subjects be taken early in year 10?

The Government has scrapped early entry for students as an option.

Do I have to take an option from the compulsory subject list?

Yes. This will ensure a broad and balanced curriculum.

FAQ

Can I change my options?

This may be possible soon after the options process, however not guaranteed. This cannot happen once courses have begun.

Why can't we choose any combination we like?

We have to fit subjects into blocks. We do this to maximise the number of fits.

FAQ

What happens if my subject is full?

Unfortunately this is a possibility. We will look at the priority you give the subject on the form and also judge your suitability.

Tonight

Room	Subject
L1	Creative media, media studies
L2	RE, psychology
L3	PE, child development
L4	<i>French, Spanish, Japanese</i>
L6	Art, photography
L7	Science
M9	English, mathematics
Innovation Centre	<i>History, geography, business studies</i>
Octagon	<i>Computing, construction, design technology, textiles, food</i>
DR2	Dance, drama, music

Ask questions!



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