

The Pathways Process

Key Stage 4 at Abbey Grange

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July

- Taster Day
- All Year 7 students get to pick 5 options for the day and follow a GCSE curriculum.

November

- PSHCE
- 'Choosing Options' presentation to students by members of the Senior Leadership Team.

December

- Year 8 Option Booklet sent home
- Includes information on course content for students to discuss with their parents.

3rd January

- Moving on Evening
- Students and parents get to visit departments to discuss subject content and potential option choices.

11th January

- Year 8 Parents Evening
- A chance to discuss progress with individual teachers

15th -19th
January 2017

- Tutorials
- Individual students meet with members of SLT and ELT to discuss their options. Parents are invited to attend.

26th January
2016

- Deadline for submitting option choices application form.
- To be completed on Learning Platform by parents/carers with their child.

Our Curriculum Structure

A Three Year Key Stage 4

More opportunity to:

- Enrich teaching and learning.
- Give more time to cover subject content in greater depth.
- Provide enrichment opportunities to develop teamwork and leadership skills.
- Develop more reflective and note taking skills to help deal with more challenging subject content.



KS4 Life Enrichment and Empowerment Programme (LEEP)

Archbishop's Young Leaders Award

- Develop key leadership skills
- Develop confidence when public speaking
- make a difference in their local community
- Grow in confidence

Pathway Core Subjects

1. English
2. Maths
 - Physical Education (*Non examination*)
 - PSHCE (*Non examination*)
3. Science
 - Archbishop of York Young Leaders Award Certificate
4. French
5. Religious Studies

Three Option Choices

- * Geography or History
- * **Plus** 2 other subjects

Option Subjects

- Art
- Business Studies with Economics
- BTEC Business
- Computer Science
- BTEC ICT
- Design and Technology
- Drama
- BTEC Performing Art
- Engineering
- Food Preparation and Nutrition
- Geography
- Health and Social Care
- History
- Music
- Physical Education
- BTEC Sport First Award
- BTEC Dance
- Sociology
- Spanish

How should students decide?

- Choose subjects carefully - ones that you are interested in and will be good at.
- Don't choose because of what your friends are choosing it!
- Read the Pathways Booklet at home as a family.
- Find out about the new subjects that you haven't studied before.
- How is the subject assessed?
- Talk to staff tonight.

EBacc

- The EBacc is a measure of students who achieve 5 or more grade 5 grades in traditionally academic GCSE subjects

(English, Maths, Science, a language and Geography or History)

- We believe that approximately 80% of our cohort can achieve English Baccalaureate (EBacc)

Two measures

- Standard EBacc pass: grade 4
- Strong EBacc pass: grade 5

- This is something universities will be looking for from students

Mrs Fairbrother
Achievement Director
Extended Leadership



Modern Foreign Languages

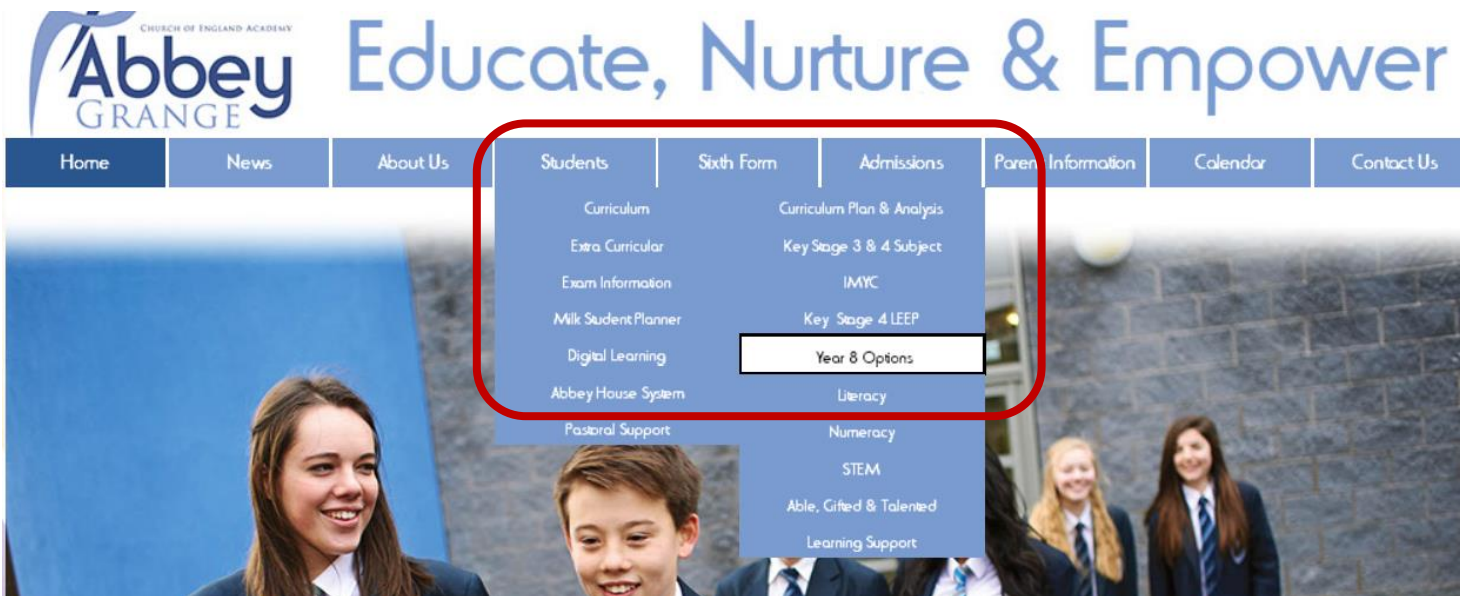
- Most of our students will study French at GCSE.
- Some students may opt to also study Spanish.
- There will be a cohort of students who we feel doing a language is not the best curriculum choice for them.

BTEC qualifications

- Blend subject theory with practical application
- Develop skills and knowledge required in the workplace through structured coursework tasks
- Promote confidence, communication and team work skills through hands on learning
- Lessen the load of exams in the summer of 2021

Pass Grades	Pass Points	GCSE Equivalent
Level 2 Distinction*	8.50	A*
Level 2 Distinction	7.00	A
Level 2 Merit	5.50	B
Level 2 Pass	4.00	C

How to submit your option choices...



Thursday 11th January:
Parents' Evening (5pm)

Friday 26th January:
Deadline for options

- Open the survey link you will be emailed/on website
- Complete the option for with your child.



Destination



Finish Year 11 having enjoyed the subjects and having been successful in them, so your child you can move on to post-16 study.

Foyer:

- Art
- Design Technology
- Engineering
- Food and Nutrition
- Health and Social Care

Room 70:

- Maths
- English

Room 71:

- Physical Education
- BTEC Sport First Award
- BTEC Dance

Room 72:

- Business Studies with Economics
- BTEC Business
- Computer Science
- BTEC ICT

Room 73:

- Geography
- History
- Music

Room 74:

- Sociology
- RS

End foyer:

- Science
- French / Spanish

Room 75:

- Music
- Drama
- BTEC Performing Art

Hibret hall:

- Mrs Fairbrother
- Glyn Ellis - careers