

## Passmores Academy Year 9 - Options Evening

20 March 2024


## The average person changes jobs on average, 12 <br> times during their career

What are your plans after Passmores?

Do you know?

Many jobs you may do in the future don't exist yet!


## Problem solving

## Interpretation

## Collaboration

## Data handling

## Creativity

## Analysis

## Debating

Reasoning

Research
Listening
Evaluation

## Some advice about choices....

Give yourself the best chances for the future, pick a balance

## Don't pick subjects because of a teacher

Don't pick subjects because your friends are doing them

Don't make all of your decisions tonight, you have time!

## Pick subjects you ENJOY

## Pick subjects you are GOOD at

## Pick subjects which play to your STRENGTHS

Pick subjects which DEVELOP particular skills

# What does Year 10 and 11 look Ike? 

## What types of courses could you choose?

## GCSEs - Linear courses

- Exams at the end of 2 years
- Knowledge and skills developed over the 2 years
- Memory and retention


## Vocational Courses

- Coursework
- Exams - vary depending on the course
- Ongoing assessment


## Grading system



## Compulsory subjects with exams

- English Language
- English Literature
- Maths
- Combined Science (2 GCSEs)

Compulsory subjects with no exams

- PE
- i-Future


## Options subjects - You MUST pick 1 from

- Computer Science
- Geography
- History
- French
- Spanish
- Triple Science
(Triple Science replaces combined science and counts as 3 GCSEs - Biology, Chemistry, Physics)


## Then 3 more from...

- Art \& Design - Fine Art*
- Art \& Design - Textiles*
- Art \& Design - 3D Design (D\&T)* *Only 1 from these 3 courses
- Art \& Design - Photography
- Citizenship
- Computer Science
- Drama
- French
- Geography
- History
- Music
- Psychology
- Spanish
- Triple Science (3 separate GCSEs - Biology, Chemistry, Physics)


## Or these Vocational courses..

- Child Development
- Creative Media
- Creative \& Technical Enterprise
- Hospitality \& Catering
- Sport

Please also select a reserve choice - why?

- Low numbers
- Timetable clash


## The Ebacc - English Baccalaureate

## What are the Ebacc subjects?

- Eng|ish Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Science
- A humanities subject (Geography or History)
- A language (French or Spanish)


## What is the Ebacc?

- Not a qualification itself
- Valued by top universities
- Russell Group
- The Sutton Trust


## Complete your choices via the SIMS app

## SIMS Student account

- Students - check your emails!
- "How to...." guide sent today
- Tutor time sessions after Easter
- Problems? Contact the DataTeam Other advice
- Monday's assembly
- Speak to your teachers
- Look at your data over Easter
- Mrs Moore (SENCO)
- Mrs Kay (Careers)


## Next Steps and where to go.....

## Tonight - Carousel of sessions

- Please stick to the allocated slots
- Listen to the presentations and speak to staff
- Speak to Passmores existing students
- Don't make decisions quickly


## Dates

27th March - Spring Term reports sent home
17th April - Year 9 Parents/Carers Evening online
26th April - Options Deadline (Online form only)

## Where to go....

## U Unicorn (blue) <br> D Dragon (red) <br> L Lion (Yellow) <br> G Griffin (Green)

Starts 0... downstairs
Starts 1... upstairs
*7.30pm is the last talk for Psychology


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