



Beaufort
Co-operative Academy

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Key Stage 4 Curriculum evening

2016

What happens in Key Stage 4 ?

Core subjects –

1. English Language
2. English Literature
3. Mathematics
4. Science
5. Religious Education or Citizenship
7. Physical Education (Core) – No exam
- 8 IT – European computer driving licence course (ECDL)

What happens in Key Stage 4 ?

You will then need to select an English Baccalaureate subject.

These are - Geography

History

French

These are high value GCSE subjects and help students get into the sixth form to do A levels, gain places at college and are required by many apprenticeships.

These go into block A

More than one of these subjects can be studied and must then be chosen in blocks B and C

What happens in Key Stage 4 ?

You should then select two further subjects to go into blocks B and C.

These subjects are –

Art & Design –Fine Art

Art & Design – Textiles design

Photography

PE

Drama

ICT -Computing

BTEC Health & Social care

BTEC Business Studies

Catering

Music

ICT – CIDA

Media studies

Religious Education and Citizenship GCSE



All students must then do a GCSE in either

Religious Education

or

Citizenship.

Your preference should be included on the option form.

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Key terms

1. GCSE – Academic based subjects
2. BTEC – Vocational qualifications
3. CIDA – Certificate in digital applications
4. English Bacculaureate

The English Bacculaureate is the name given to the award when students achieve GCSE passes at 'C' grade or above in Maths, English, Double Science, a Modern Foreign Language & either Geography or History.

These are considered high value qualifications

What happens in Key Stage 4 ?

- DO** Consult with your teachers about subjects.
- DO** Take into consideration the comments from the parents consultation evening.
- DO** Seek advice from Mrs Coetzee or your tutor if you are in doubt about certain qualifications for certain jobs
- DO** Talk about your subjects with your parents so that you and they understand why you are making a particular choice.

DO TAKE TIME AND TROUBLE AS IT IS IMPORTANT FOR YOUR FUTURE

What happens in Key Stage 4 ?

DON'T Choose a subject which you don't like. Generally people do far better if they do subjects that they are interested in.

DON'T Choose a subject just so that you can be with friends. You must make the best choice for you!

DON'T Choose a subject just because it's new. There are a range of new subjects offered in Year 9 and 10 but make sure you know what you are letting yourself in for before choosing one of them. Ask older students if necessary.

The new subjects



- GCSE Computing
- GCSE Media
- GCSE Photography
- BTEC Business Studies
- BTEC Health and Social Care

Think about how you like to learn.



Do you like –

- Enjoy reading and writing?
- Being creative and imaginative?
- Problem solving and using practical skills?
- Working with numbers?
- Playing sport?

Try to select a range of subjects that suit the way you like to learn.

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Curriculum Choices 2016

Student Name – James Park

Tutor Group – W4

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Subject Choice –	Subject Choice -	Subject Choice -

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Religious Education	Citizenship

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Signed _____ Tutor

Signed _____ Student

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Important date



Monday 7th March – Curriculum choices forms to be completed and signed by parents, students and tutors.

What to do now



1. Try to speak to all teachers of subjects that your child is considering as part of their key stage 4 curriculum for next year.
2. Speak to teachers of core subjects to discuss your child's curriculum and commitment up until their GCSEs.
3. Return the form by Monday 7th March

What happens next?

- All information is entered into the timetabling/staffing structure.
- Every effort to meet wishes of the students...but there is a limit!
- If courses are over-subscribed we will discuss the solutions with students before any final decisions are made.
- Parents and students informed of their key stage 4 curriculum in the Summer term.

Which rooms?

- English, Media & SENCO
- Maths, RE & Citizenship
- Science
- ICT, PE & Sports Studies
- Geography
- History
- French
- Music
- Drama
- Art & Photography & textiles
- Business Studies, HSC & catering

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