

Welcome to the *Year 9 Options Evening*



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Headteacher

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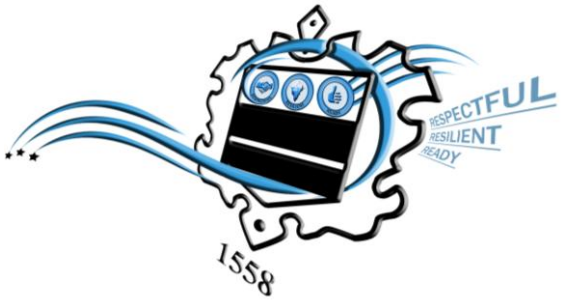
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Mr S Eldershaw

Senior Assistant Headteacher

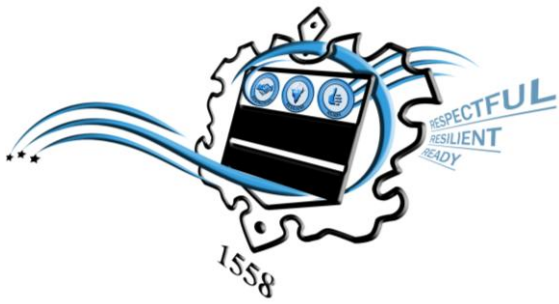
Mrs H Broadist

Head of Pastoral Support



Aims of the session

- Introduce the Options Process
- Opportunity to attend subject talks about courses
- Help you to make informed preferences

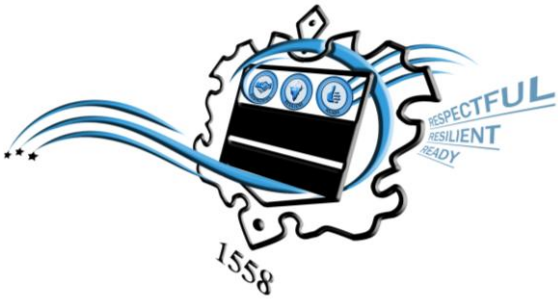


Results

We are committed to providing the best education possible for our students and we were very proud of the high attainment at GCSE and positive attainment achieved in our Sixth Form (average grade of a B) results in 2025.

Aanya Shukla
Head Team





The Core Curriculum

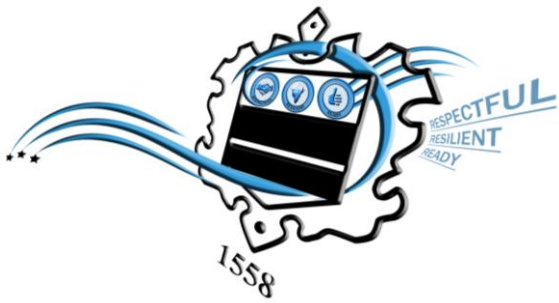
Everyone will study:

- English (Language and Literature)
- Maths
- Science

Students will also have lessons but not examined in:

- Games (Core PE)
- PSHE (Connect - Tutor)
- Beliefs and Decisions





The Options Curriculum

For Year 10, students choose from the following subjects:

- Art: Art, Craft & Design
- Art: Textiles Design
- Business
- Economics**
- Computer Science*
- IT
- Physical Education
- Sport

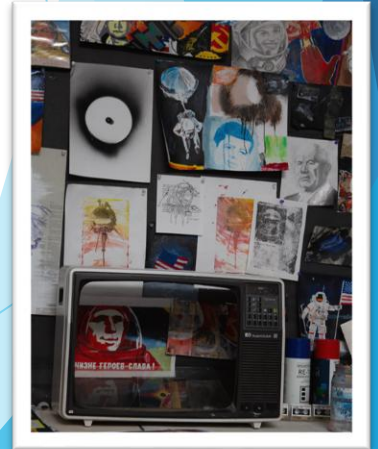
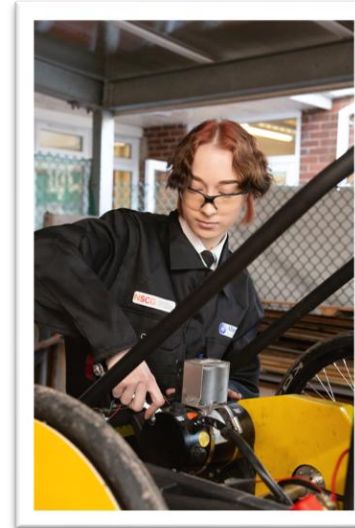
(Choose only one in each of the groups above)

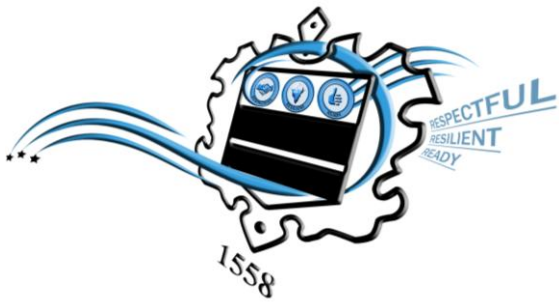
- DT
- Drama
- French
- Geography
- Health & Social Care
- History
- Hospitality & Catering
- Music
- RE
- Triple Science***

** Be very confident with mathematical problem solving*

*** Most suitable for those students currently in S or L sets for Business Enterprise*

****please note due to the academic rigour of this course, it is suitable for students who are currently in top set (9L/ ScW or 9G/ ScM)* and achieving Mastery in their Year 9 assessments.*





How does it work?

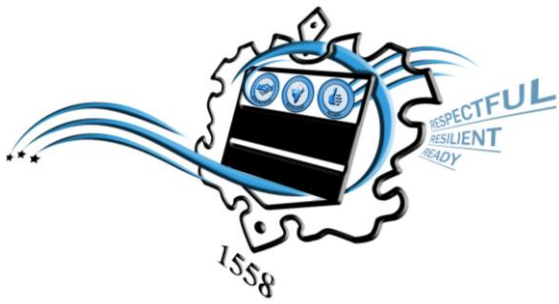
Firstly select one from:

- Geography
- History or
- French

Then choose five further subjects (to study three) in order of preference

It is ok to choose more than one subject from the list above.





The Options Preference Form



Options Preferences: Year 9 For September 2026

The form asks for:

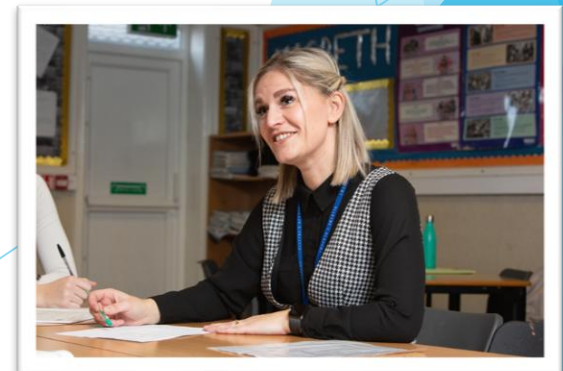
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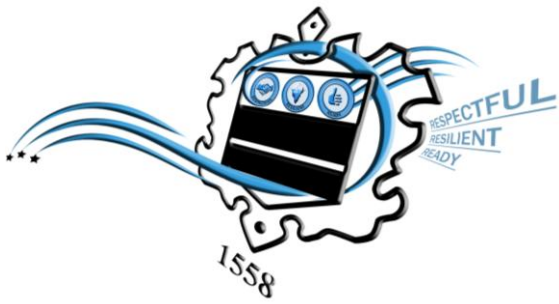
Current School

Current Tutor Group

Compulsory Option (French, Geography or History)

[Options Preferences: Year 9 For September 2026 – Fill out form](#)





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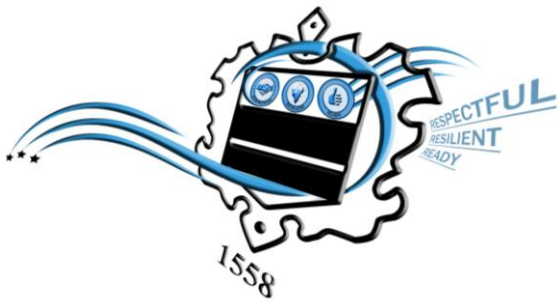


Options Preferences: Year 9 For September 2026

Why six option preferences in total?

- Some combinations may not be possible
- Some courses may not run
- Some courses may be oversubscribed
- If we cannot allocate the first three further options we move to the next ones – with the best intentions





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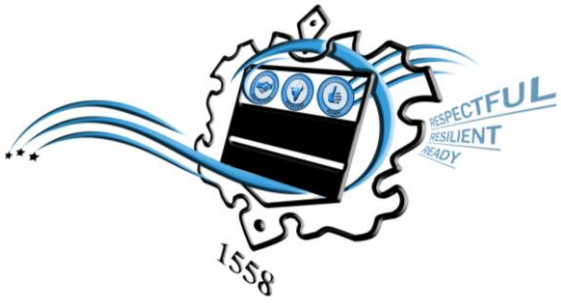


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Why parent/carer contact details:

The contact details are so that we can get in touch if it is not possible to allocate the first three further options or for an issue with the form





Key Dates

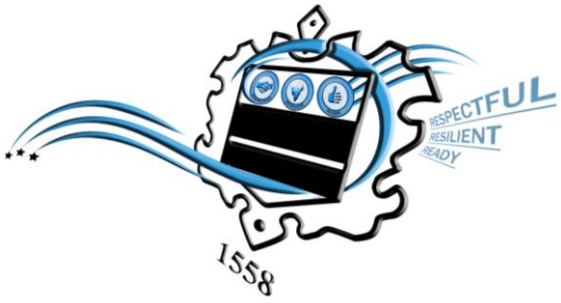
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Deadline: Thursday 19th March 2026

Please consider preferences carefully.

The blocks are built from the preferences so although not all combinations may be possible, changes later are more difficult to achieve.

w/b 29th June 2026 – Confirmation of option choices

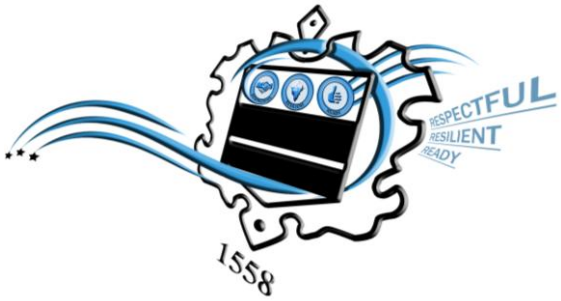


The Grading system

- Emerging
- Developing
- Secure
- Mastery
- Exceptional

GCSE 9-1 Points			BTEC Tech Award	
Grade & points	Grade terms		Grade	Points
9		→	L2 D*	8.5
8			L2 D	7
7			L2 M	5.5
6			L2 P	4
5	Strong Pass (DfE)	→	L1 D	3
4	Standard Pass (DfE)		L1 M	2
3			L1 P	1.25
2			U	0
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Sixth Form Progression

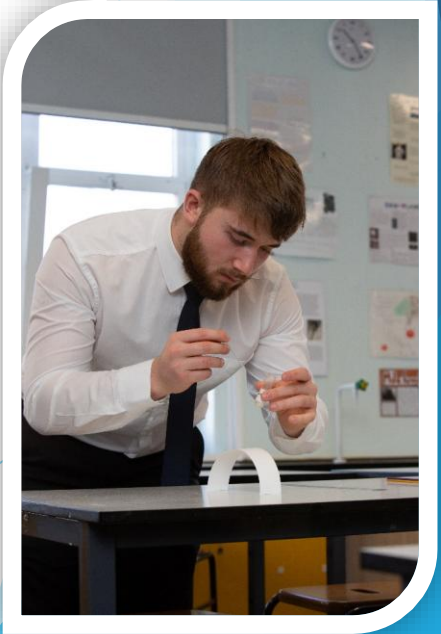
A Level Courses:

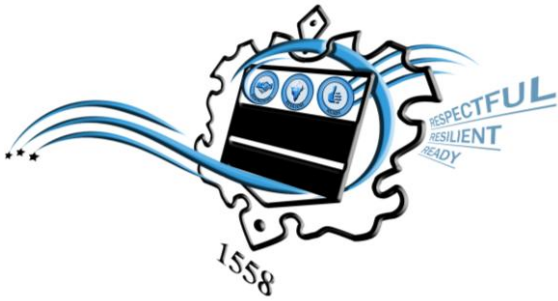
Art	Biology	Business
Chemistry	Drama	English Language
English Literature	French	Geography
History	Maths	Sociology
Physics	Computer Science	
Psychology	Further Maths	RE

Applied General* Courses:

IT	Applied Science
Business**	Sport
Health & Social Care	Criminology

** Available as a “double”, equivalent to two A Levels





And finally...

Any questions, please talk to the staff tonight.

Queries about overall choice and/or subject combinations:
Mr S Eldershaw (Senior Assistant Headteacher)
s.eldershaw@alleynes.staffs.sch.uk

Queries about the effects of your choice on Post-16 courses
and further education possibilities:
Mr R Haydon (Senior Assistant Headteacher)
r.haydon@alleynes.staffs.sch.uk

	Talk Times for Options Evening 12th March 2026						
Subject	5.45pm	6.00pm	6.15pm	6.30pm	6.45pm	7.00pm	7.15pm
GCSE or Technical Awards							
Art: Art, Craft & Design		F15		F15	F15		F15
Art: Textile Design		F6		F6		F6	
Business & Economics	H24	H24	H24		H24	H24	H24
Computer Science & IT		116		116	116	116	
Design & Technology	F9		F9			F9	
Drama		Theatre		Theatre		Theatre	Theatre
French		214		214		214	
Geography	208		208	208	208		208
Health & Social Care		115			115		115
History	215		215		215	215	215
Hospitality & Catering	F4		F4		F4		
Music	Dove		Dove			Dove	
PE/Sport	103		103	103			103
RE		301			301	301	
Triple Science*	110			110		110	