

Key Stage 4 Options Process



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The power is in your hands....

An opportunity to take control over your education and shape your future

It's time to choose your Key Stage 4 (year 10 and 11) courses and qualifications





Where do you want to go?
Making the right choices now can help you get
there



Questions to ask yourself



What subjects do I enjoy, am passionate about and want to dedicate more time to?

Where are my strongest subjects which I can develop further in?



What would I like to study after Breckland School?

Where would I like to study in the future?



What job would I like to have?

What do I need to know more about?



Core curriculum

Examined: English Literature, English Language,
Maths, Double Science

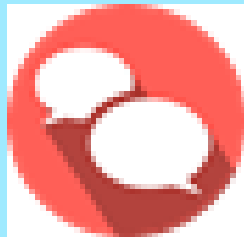
Non-examined: PE, RE and PSHE

4 options choices

*Science, Technology,
Engineering, Maths*



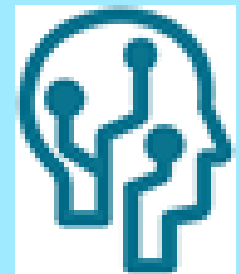
Languages



*Creative and practical
disciplines*



*Humanities and social
sciences*





The Ebacc Route

French
and



History/Geography/Ancient History

The Ebacc can provide greater opportunities in further education

The Ebacc increases the likelihood that a pupil will stay on in full-time education

Studying the EBacc can help improve a your performance in English and Maths



The subjects we offer

Block A

French

History

Geography

Ancient History

Block B

Textiles*

Business

Film Studies

Philosophy & Ethics

French

Block C

Computer Science

History

Music

Geography

Drama

Block C

Art*

Design & Technology

Food Preparation and
Nutrition

GCSE PE

Frequently asked questions:

How and when do students make their choices?

The form will be shared w/c 20th February with a submission deadline of Friday 24th February

Students will select one first choice and one reserve choice

There will be a space to express and relevant additional information

What happens next?

Mentors will check the appropriateness of choices, discussions will be held, allocations made. Students will be informed after Easter.

What if a course is oversubscribed?

We may run two classes

Some subjects have capped numbers due to Health and Safety regulations

Students are selected on a lottery basis after considering any additional information

Will all courses run?

If there is student demand and we have the curriculum resources

In extreme situations we may be required to re-run the process

Where to start...

Course Name: **Ancient History**

Examination Specification: OCR Ancient History

Assessment and qualification: GCSE

Humanities and Social Sciences



Course Name: **Computer Science**

Examination Specification: OCR Computer Science (9-1) - J277

Assessment and qualification: GCSE

% of Grade determined by examination: 100%
All examinations will take place in 2023

STEM



Course Name: **Art***

Examination Specification: Edexcel

Assessment and qualification: GCSE

% of Grade determined by examination: 40%
All examinations will take place in 2025

Creative and Practical Disciplines



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Languages



Course Name: **French**

Examination Specification: AQA GCSE French

Assessment and qualification: GCSE

% of Grade determined by examination: 100%
All examinations will take place in 2023

% of Grade determined by coursework: 0%

Timetabled Periods per fortnight: 5

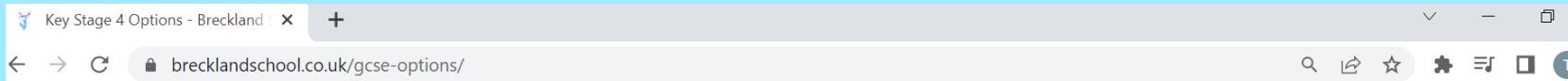
Key Information:

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| Course Tags | Real life, Relationships, Film, Music, Internet, Chat, Food, Sport, Travel, Traditions, Environment, Careers. |
| What's great about this course is | You will continue with all the fun and rewarding activities from KS3. GCSE French will also explore media, technology and global issues which link us to the rest of the world. By taking a language GCSE you don't just learn the language, you get to find out about other people, countries and cultures so it really is an interesting and varied subject! Learning a language helps your memory, creativity, listening skills and self-confidence. |
| Think again if | You don't like putting the time in to learn new vocabulary. You will need to be resilient, because you will encounter texts and recordings that you will not understand immediately. |
| Great preparation for post-16 study in | French A level, Business Studies, Travel and Tourism, Media, Journalism. The communication skills you learn by studying French will help you in all post-16 studies. |
| Get ahead! This will support higher education/careers in | Many universities require a GCSE language for all of their degree programmes. Languages are great for a wide variety of careers especially those involving translation or communication with people from non-English speaking countries. This can include careers in tourism, government, politics, media, publishing, and journalism. You can also work in education, fashion or law! The confidence you will gain by learning about other cultures will give you an advantage in any career that you choose. |

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Or for more information please refer to the Exam Board website for the course specification and assessment materials including past exam papers and mark schemes

<https://www.brecklandschool.co.uk/gcse-options/>



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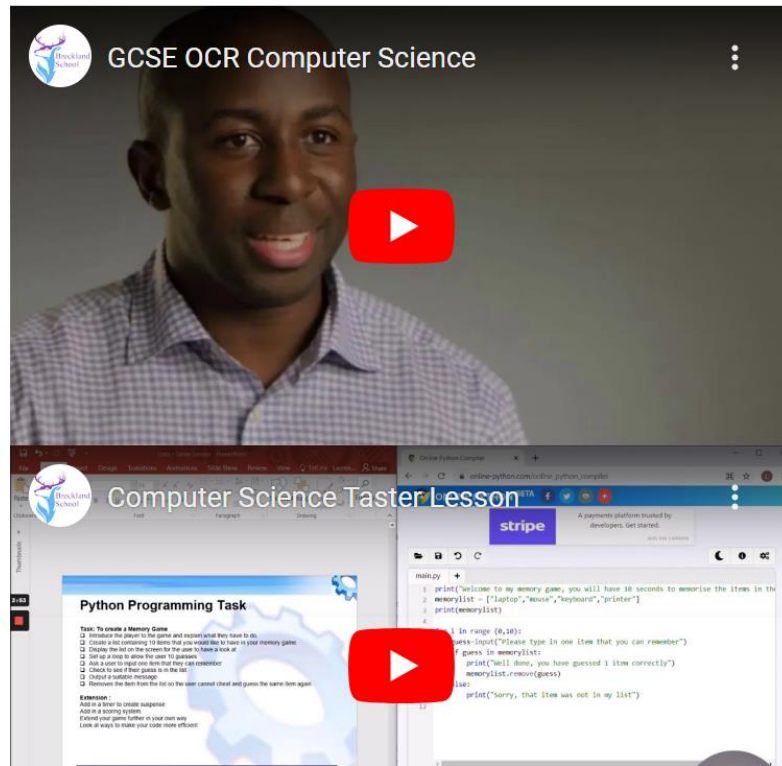
On 16th March, Year 9 students attended an [assembly](#) about the KS4 Op education. The school will be offering as much support as possible so th We are also fortunate to have two [Higher Education Champions](#) who are

For further information regarding each subject, please click on subject or



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Computer Science



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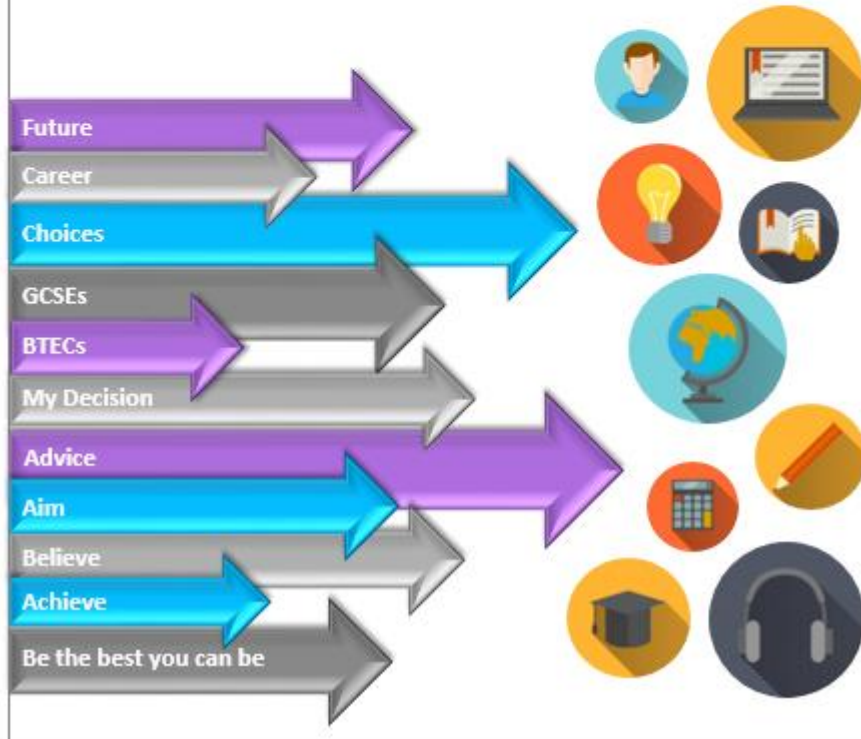
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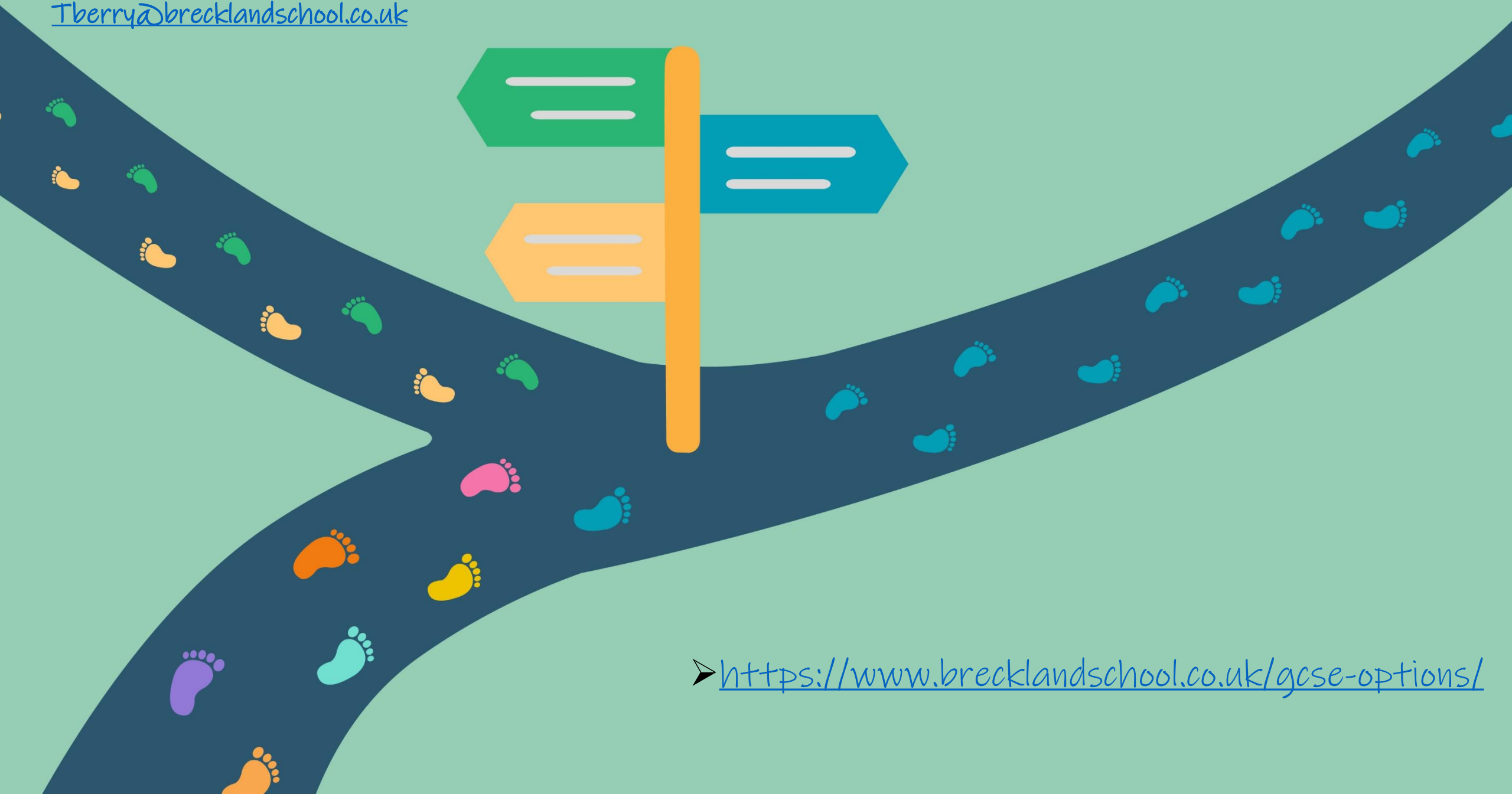


Support available for you tonight

- Subject teachers
- Careers Advisor, Ellen de Winnaar
- Miss Bussey, Head of SEND

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