



Senior School Curriculum

There are seven periods per day, Monday to Friday. Each period is 50 minutes in length; some of these are arranged in double periods, particularly in the GCSE and A-level years.

On Monday to Thursday, Period 5 is given over to co-curricular activities. On Friday Period 5, all pupils have a PSHCE lesson.

1st and 2nd Forms (Years 7 and 8)

English	3 periods per week	Drama	1 period per week
Mathematics	4 periods per week	Music	1 period per week
Science	4 periods per week	Art/Textiles	2 periods per week
Languages	4 periods per week	DT/F&N	2 periods per week
History	2 periods per week	Computing	1 period per week
Geography	2 periods per week	Sport	4 periods per week
RS	1 period per week		

In Languages, the pupils are divided into three sets by ability. They study French, German and Spanish as a carousel. In the 2nd Form there is also a small fourth set who only study Spanish and who have Learning Support instead of two of their language lessons.

Art, Textiles, DT and Food and Nutrition are taught in half-classes for half the academic year.

From the 2nd Form onwards, the pupils are taught as ability-based sets for Mathematics.

3rd Form (Year 9)

English	4 periods per week	Language 1	2 periods per week
Mathematics	4 periods per week	Language 2	2 periods per week
Biology	2 periods per week	Humanity 1	2 periods per week
Chemistry	2 periods per week	Humanity 2	2 periods per week
Physics	2 periods per week	Creative 1	2 periods per week
Sport	4 periods per week	Creative 2	2 periods per week

Each pupil chooses two languages, two humanities and two creative subjects. The choices are:

Languages: French, German, Spanish Humanities:

History, Geography, RS

Creatives: Art, Computing, DT, Drama, Food and Nutrition, Music, Textiles

6th Form (Years 12 and 13)

The subjects available are:

Art	Graphics
Biology	History Mathematics
Business Studies	Further Mathematics
Chemistry	Music
Computing	PE Physics
DT	Psychology
Economics English	RS
Food and Nutrition	Spanish
French	Textiles
Geography	Theatre Studies
German	
Government and Politics	

The availability of these subjects is dependent on sufficient pupils choosing that option.

Each subject is taught for five periods per week in the Lower 6th Form and six periods per week in the Upper 6th Form.

All 6th Form pupils have Sport for four periods per week.

In the Lower 6th Form, most pupils study four subjects to AS-level. In addition to their AS studies, all Lower 6th Form pupils have one period per week of Study Skills

In the Upper 6th Form, most pupils study three subjects to A-level. A few may continue with all four subjects whilst others, if the timetable allows, may start a new AS subject.