

Y9 Options 2025



All students need to leave Moor Park with appropriate qualifications

Students need to be able to compete locally, nationally and internationally

Competition for College and University places is tough. You need to secure outstanding progress and attainment in your KS4 qualifications

To ensure that you secure the best possible examination grades to access further education, employment or training, students will need to lay successful foundations by selecting the right options now



EBACC (English Baccalaureate)

Top Universities say it opens more doors to more degrees

English

Maths

Sciences

Geography/History

A language (Spanish)

Need to achieve minimum grade 4 in all the subjects above



The government's ambition is to see 90% of pupils studying the EBacc subject combination at GCSE.

It is a benchmark for universities to check that applicants have a solid academic foundation on which to build.

The Ebacc is particular group of GCSE subjects that are usually looked on favourably by universities

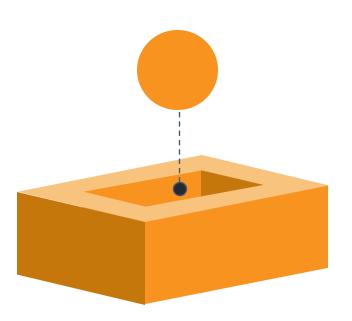
The Russell Group has named languages as subjects that open doors to more degrees at universities. (The Russell Group is a group of 24 universities with a shared focus on research and a reputation for academic achievement)

Types of Qualification & Combinations

GCSEs

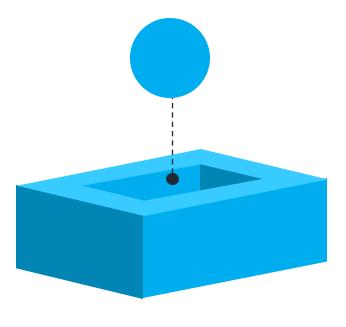
The most common qualification on offer is a GCSE

Most GCSEs are assessed solely through exams at the end of the course, and a small number are still assessed through a combination of Controlled Assessment throughout the course & exams at the end of the course



BTECs and NCFE

Specifically tailored to build the skills necessary to successfully gain employment in the subject area. These qualifications are Government approved courses and are assessed through assessment in school throughout the course and between 20-40% exam at the end of the course



Compulsory courses in Years 10 & 11



Literature

(2 GCSES)







(1 GCSE)



non-examination course



PDWB including core ICT

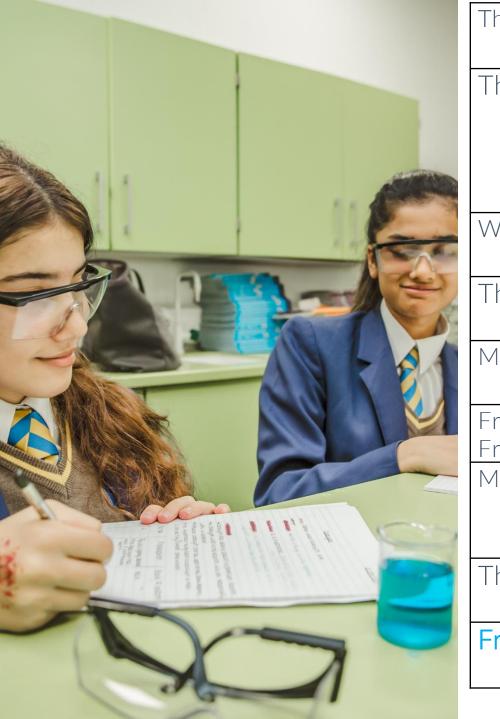
Option courses in Y10 & Y11

In addition to the compulsory core subjects, you can opt for 3 additional subjects.
You will choose 1 subject from each of the 3 blocks.

ONE of your options must be either: Geography History Spanish You will have 2.5 lessons a week for each subject

It is very important that you choose subjects which will allow you to achieve your full potential, therefore there will be lots of guidance to support you.

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Thursday 6 th March	Options Assembly	
Thursday 6 th March	Dedicated Options Area on School Website will launch. Here you will find lots of information about options including a copy of the options booklet and this presentation	
Wednesday 19 th March	Selecting subjects you wish to try as part of our options taster day (form time)	
Thursday 27 th March	Options taster day	
Monday 31st March	CIAG and EBACC assembly	
Friday 28 th March – Friday 4 th April	Options interview with a member of SLT	
Monday 21st March	Options selection form is launched on teams in the Y9 area	
Thursday24th April	Year 9 Parents Evening and Year 9 student reports	
Friday 25th April	Deadline for Option form to be returned on teams	

Your ambitions & further education

What teachers, parents/carers, older siblings, KS4 students think about your plans

Attendance & punctuality

How you currently engage in the subject & how this might impact in the future

Reserve Choices
You may not always get
your first choice so think
carefully about your
reserve choice subjects





The teacher

We do not know who will be teaching the course for the next 2 years



Friends

They may be a great support, but you may have different ambitions, so choose the subjects YOU want to do!



'Easy options'The courses have been recently rewritten. These do not exist



Options Booklet

compulsory subjects are at the front of the booklet followed by option subjects

You have until Friday 25th April to make your decision.

All students must select a minimum of 1 blue subject as part of their options.		
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3
GCSE History	GCSE History	GCSE Spanish
GCSE Geography	GCSE Sociology	GCSE Geography
GCSE Computing	GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition	GCSE PE
GCSE 3D design	GCSE Triple Science*	GCSE Music
GCSE Art	NCFE Engineering	GCSE Business
		BTEC Health and Social Care

^{*} Students will be informed if they are able to select triple science.



All options subjects are dependent on staffing and the number of students opting for the subject.

excellent teaching

Key Staff involved in the process who you can speak to regarding options

Mrs Tolson Mrs Roberts **Teachers**

Year 9 Tutors

Staff completing the options interviews

Mr Corbett Mrs Roberts Mr Barker Mrs Shallcross Miss Morgan