



The Joseph Whitaker School
An Academy specialising in Sport and Performing Arts

GCSE Guided Choice

Academic Plus

Information Evening 6.30pm

Be Ready

Be Kind

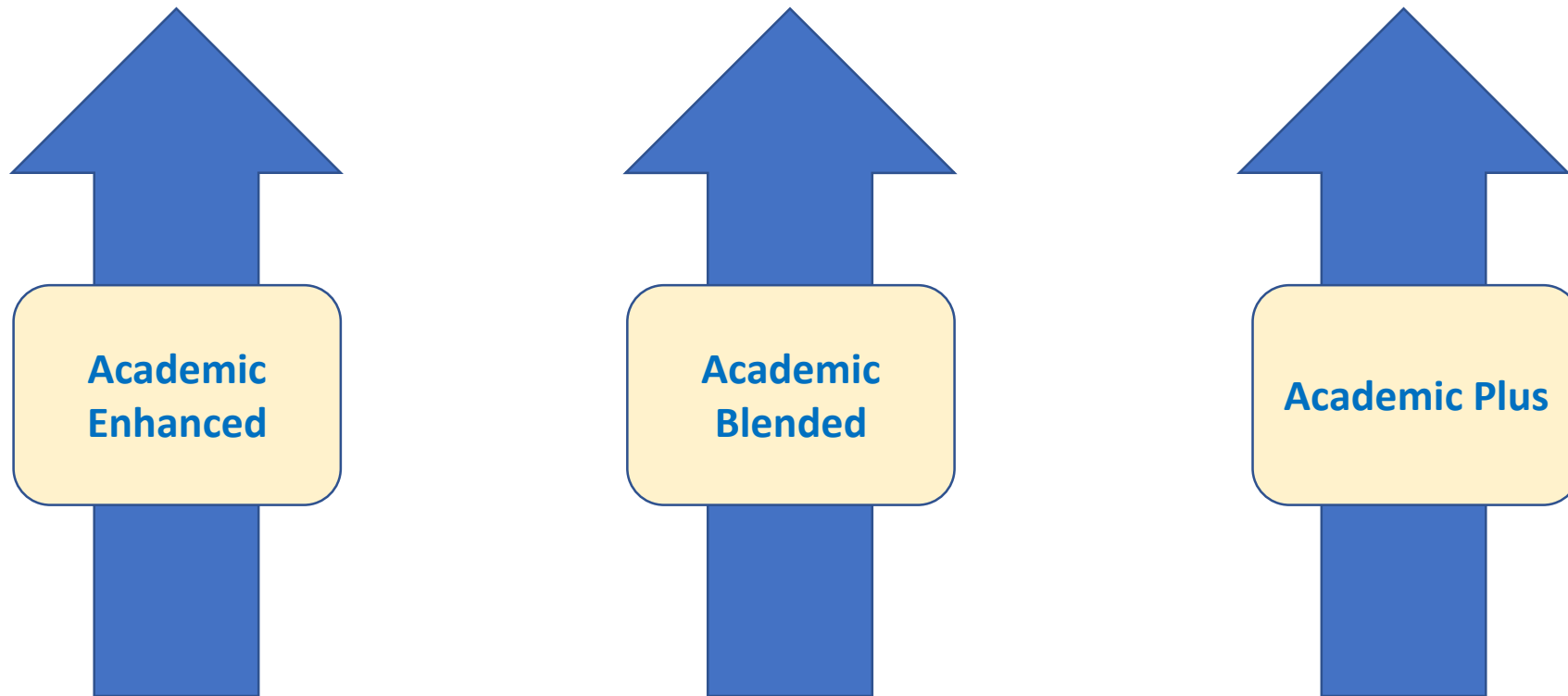
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What is Guided Choice?

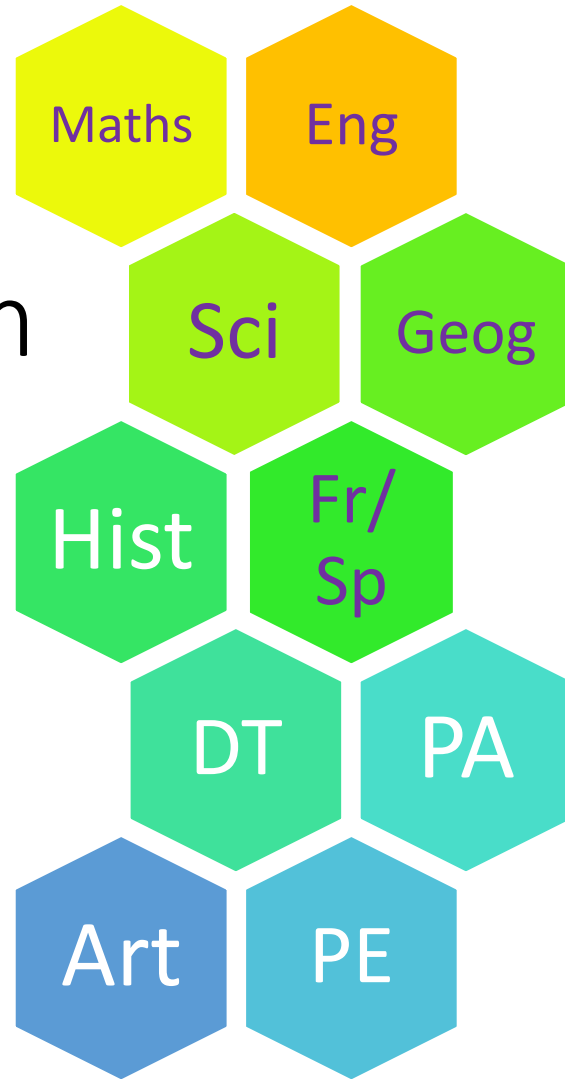


Guided Choice

We 'guide' students to select subjects based on your ability levels and our **high** aspirations.



KS3 Curriculum



JWS Curriculum Values



‘The school has developed a broad and balanced curriculum that provides Year 10 and Year 11 pupils with the opportunity to gain qualifications in subjects that reflect national expectations’. Ofsted 2025



Goal Setting



Time Management



Initiative



Adaptability



Communication



Critical Thinking



Leadership



Empathy



Problem-Solving



Conflict Resolution



Creativity



Active Listening



Patience



Teamwork



Decision Making



Interpersonal Skills



Organization



Networking

What is Guided Choice?

Core

English
Maths
Science

*Life and
Morals

*Core PE

Option

History and/
or
Geography

French and/
or Spanish

Option

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Option
subjects
receive
5 hours
over 2
weeks

* Non-
examined

Business

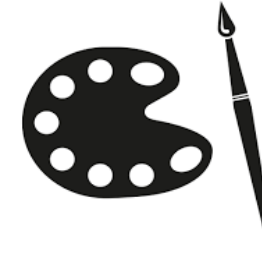


Computer Science (**High level of numeracy and literacy needed**)



Coding

Music



Art

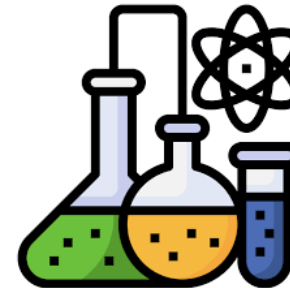


Philosophy
and Ethics

Drama

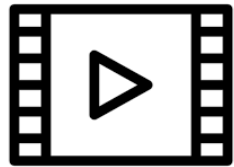


Triple Science
This means you will
do 15 hours of
Science in two weeks



Spanish and/ or French

What subjects can
I pick from for my
remaining 2
options?



Film Studies

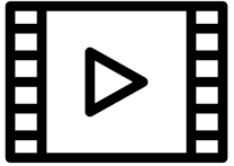


PE



Design Technology

New Subjects



Film Studies



Health and Social Care



Hospitality and Catering



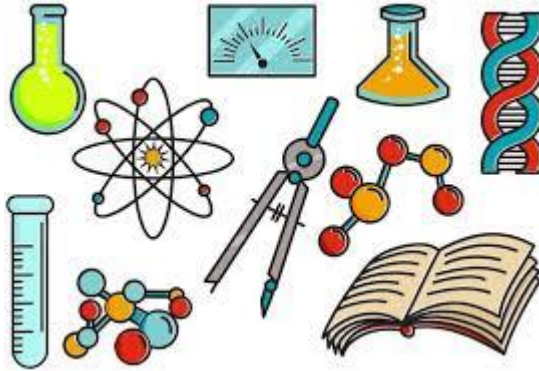
Business

We will offer tutor time or lunchtime taster sessions



Design Technology – This is a new format! Mr Charity will deliver an assembly after half term

Combined or Triple Science?



Why languages in Academic Plus?



HOW LANGUAGES HELP IN YOUR CAREER

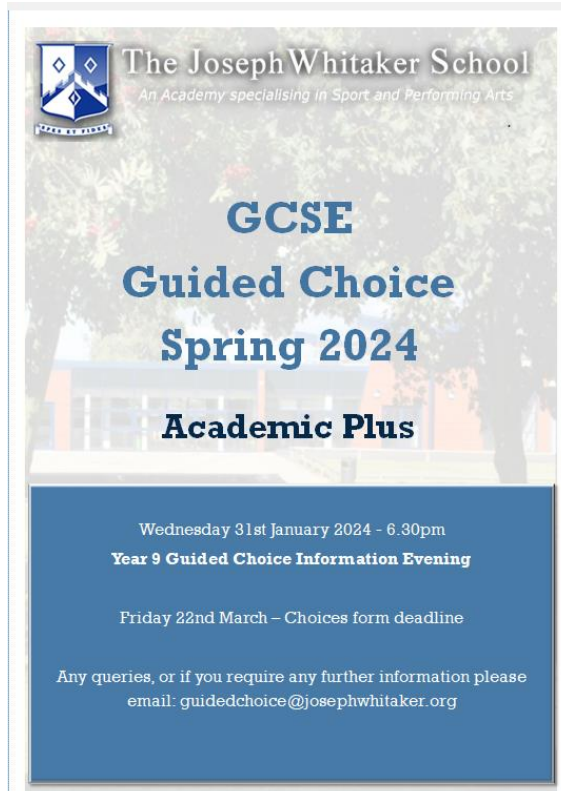
creative
multilingualism



Arts and
Humanities
Research Council



What do the students need to do now?



Read the booklet



Talk to teachers in class
Attend lunch time drop-ins for
new subjects)
Speak to parents/ carers
Speak to older students



Take time to:
Research subjects old and new
Complete the form by 28th March

In addition to taking English, Maths and Double Science, students must select (at least) one Humanities subject.
We strongly recommend students choose at least one Modern Foreign Language.

(Students are allowed to select more than one Humanities or Modern Foreign Language subject if they wish).

| Students must select <u>at least</u> one Humanities subject from below | | Choice |
|--|---|--------|
| GCSE History | 1 | ✓ |
| GCSE Geography | | |
| Students should strongly consider studying <u>at least</u> one Modern Foreign Language from below | | |
| GCSE French | 2 | ✓ |
| GCSE Spanish | | |
| Depending upon how many subjects you have chosen above, you may be able to select up to three more subjects in this section. | | |
| GCSE Art | | |
| GCSE Business Studies | | |
| GCSE Computer Science | 4 | ✓ |
| GCSE Design & Technology | | |
| GCSE Drama | | |
| GCSE Film Studies | R | |
| GCSE Music | | |
| GCSE Philosophy and Ethics | | |
| GCSE Physical Education | | ✓ |
| GCSE Triple Science | | 3 |
| Cambridge National Certificate in Health and Social Care | | |
| Technical Award in Hospitality and Catering | | |

Tom is on the plus pathway:

Fills his form out:

- ✓ He has picked the right number
 - ✓ He has told me what his favourite is by putting in rank order
 - ✓ He has a reserve subject just in case.
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- ✓ He hasn't put too many
 - ✓ He hasn't put too few
 - ✓ He has made sure he has a HUMS
 - ✓ He has made sure he has a language

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| GCSE Drama | ✓ |
| GCSE Film Studies | |
| GCSE Music | |
| GCSE Philosophy and Ethics | ✓ |
| GCSE Physical Education | |
| GCSE Triple Science | ✓ |
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Lucy is on the plus pathway:

This will be returned as no subject has been selected here!



This will be returned as too many choices have been made and no order of preference given



Further Information = School Website



The screenshot shows the homepage of The Joseph Whitaker School website. The browser address bar displays 'josephwhitaker.org'. The school's logo and name are at the top left, and a navigation menu is at the top right. A large banner image of students in a library is the background. A dropdown menu is open from the 'Information' link, with an arrow pointing to the 'Year 9 Guided Choice' option. The URL 'https://www.josephwhitaker.org/year-9-guided-choice/' is visible in the address bar at the bottom.

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Proud To Be Me. Proud To Be Us.

Be Ready Be Kind Be Safe

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Thank you!

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