

St John's School Post 16 Options



Post 16 Options 2024

All students must choose one subject **from each** of the four option blocks below. Each option has 8 hours of study over a fortnight. There is also one hour of compulsory PSHE and one hour of careers education. Students will have a total of 34 hours over a fortnight leaving 16 hours of independent study time in the sixth form centre.

Personal, Social, Health Education (non-examined)	1 period per fortnight
Careers Education	1 period per fortnight
Option A	8 periods per fortnight
Option B	8 periods per fortnight
Option C	8 periods per fortnight
Option D	8 periods per fortnight

Look at the complete list of subjects across **boxes A, B, C and D** and indicate in each box what you would like as your **first and second choice**. For example, write a 1 against the subject you would most like to take, and a 2 against your next preferred choice. **The reason for this is that while every effort is made to accommodate all first choices, occasionally some options will not be viable and will not run.**

We will do our best to match up courses to your first-choice preferences but this can not be guaranteed in every instance. Also, it is worth reminding you at this point that choosing an option does not automatically guarantee entry into the examination at the end of the course. This is dependent on your hard work and readiness for the exam.

PATHWAYS:

There are three pathways open to St John's students in our sixth form and these will be dependent on your GCSE examination results. You will be interviewed before starting the sixth form to ensure you are on the right course for you. We reserve the right to refuse entry to courses when students do not have the suitable grades to meet the demands of the course.

As a general guide:

Pathway 1: A levels (or A levels and BTEC combined)

5 GCSEs at grade 5 or above including English and Mathematics. (Some courses will require grade 6 or above to ensure students are able to cope with the demands of the A level course.)

Pathway 2: BTEC only

5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and Maths

Pathway 3: NVQ

No minimum entry requirements

Students can also re-take GCSE Maths and/or English if necessary

IMPORTANT:

Courses will only run if there are three or more students opting for the subject

Eliminating educational disadvantage caused by mobility

Student name: _____

OPTION A:

Pathway	Option A	Worth	Time allocation	Course length:	Indicate 1 st and 2 nd choices
Pathway 1	Art	1 A level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	
Pathway 1	Mathematics	1 A level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	
Pathway 1 / 2	Travel and Tourism	1 BTEC National Extended Certificate (P, M, D, D*)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years National Extended Certificate	
Pathway 1 / 2	EPQ	Equivalent to 1 AS Level	4 periods per fortnight	1 year	

OPTION B

Pathway	Option B	Worth	Time allocation	Course length	Indicate 1 st and 2 nd choices
Pathway 1	English	1 A Level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	
Pathway 1	Geography	1 A Level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	
Pathway 1	Physics	1 A Level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	1 Year AS Level or 2 years A Level	
Pathway 1 / 2	EPQ	Equivalent to 1 AS Level	4 periods per fortnight	1 year	

OPTION C

Pathway	Option C	Worth	Time allocation	Course length	Indicate 1 st and 2 nd choices
Pathway 1	Biology	1 A Level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	
Pathway 1	Sociology	1 A Level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	
Pathway 1/2	Sport	1 BTEC National Certificate (P, M, D, D*) Or 1 BTEC National Extended Certificate (P, M, D, D*)	8 periods per fortnight	1 year National Certificate or 2 years National Extended Certificate	
Pathway 1/2	EPQ	Equivalent to 1 AS Level	4 periods per fortnight	1 year	

OPTION D

Pathway	Option D	Worth	Time allocation	Course length	Indicate 1 st and 2 nd choices
Pathway 1	Product Design	1 A Level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	
Pathway 1	Psychology	1 A Level (A*-E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	
Pathway 1/2	Health and Social care	1 BTEC National Certificate	8 periods per fortnight	1 year	
Pathway 1	History	1 A level (A* - E)	8 periods per fortnight	2 years	

NVQ

Pathway	Full option	Worth	Time allocation	Course length	Tick to choose
Pathway 2/3	NVQ Courses	NVQ qualification	2 days in school and 3 days on placement	1 or 2 years	

Parent / carer:

*I am in full agreement with my child opting for the subjects named above.
I understand that it may not always be possible to grant some options if there are not sufficient numbers of students to make it viable.*

Signature of parent / carer:

Date: