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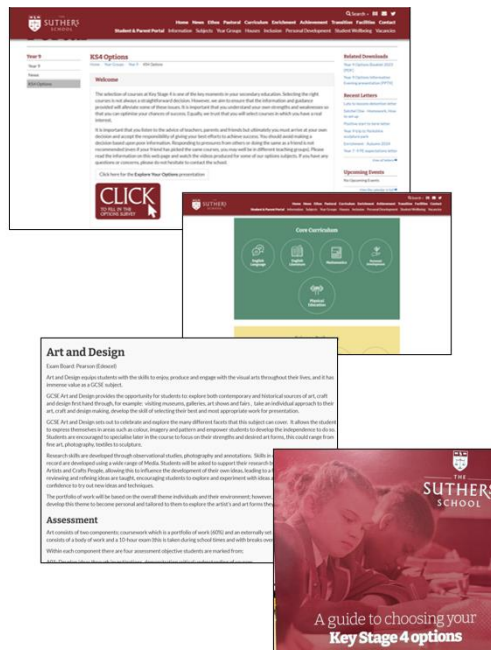
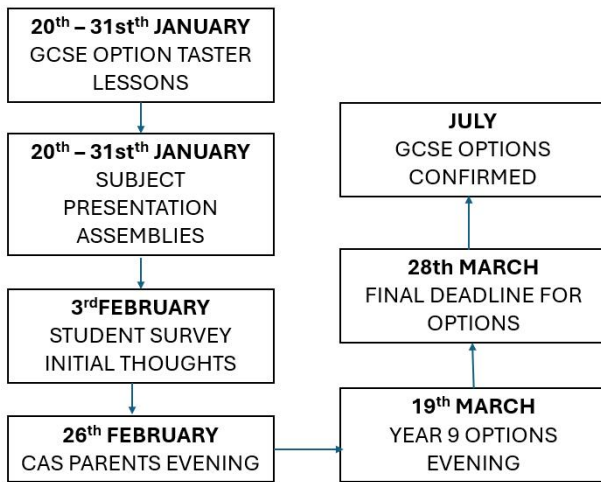
Year 9 GCSE Options 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that our year 9 students will shortly be starting the first of many events to help them make an informed decision about their up-and-coming GCSE options choices. This will start with a range of subject assemblies and option taster lessons starting on the 20th January (See timeline below). The aim of the assemblies is to inform students of the subjects available and the timeline moving forward. Following the assemblies and taster sessions, students will then complete a student review form which encourages them to record their aspirations and progress so far in year 9. Your child will take this form home over half term to discuss the options with you. The key dates and timeline are illustrated below and the final deadline for submitting their option choices will be Friday **28th March**.

YEAR 9 OPTIONS TIMELINE

Subject information can be found on the year 9 web page of the schools' website. Click on the subject icons to find further details. You will also be issued with a key stage 4 options booklet with further guidance.



Please add the following key dates to your diary:

26th February - CAS parents evening

20th to 31st January - Daily assembly presentations presented by subject Heads of Department from Engineering, Hospitality & Catering, Sports Studies, Business Studies, Citizenship, Enterprise & Marketing

20th to 31st January - All lessons to have an options focus with content informing students what their subject consists of and the commitment required at KS4.



3rd February - Initial option choices (survey highlighting students' initial choices - tutor activity)

19th March - Options Evening - All subjects represented at an open stall fair with teaching staff available to be on hand to answer questions that you may have regarding their subject area.

28th March - Final deadline for submitting option choices via Microsoft Form

We aim to update our Options portal on the school's website after half term (pictured above) with all information regarding different course content and details.

If you have any questions regarding the options process, please do not hesitate to contact myself, Miss Allen or Mr Griffiths via contact@suthersschool.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

Mr Smith
Associate School Leader