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Options Post-16:

- **Sixth Form at The Ecclesbourne School**
- **Sixth Form at other schools**
- **College**
- **Apprenticeships**





Post-16 Options



A provider of specialist courses in engineering and health and life sciences.



A provider of a range of technical, vocational and academic courses as well as apprenticeships.



CT Skills are an apprenticeships and training provider but will talk about all apprenticeship options.



At Ecclesbourne Sixth Form you can study A-levels and some BTECs alongside extended curriculum options.



Key dates

Event	Date
Launch of 16+	23 rd September
Application Letters	From September 26 th ; to be completed by 21 st October
Post-16 Morning	30 th September
Sixth Form Open Evening	2 nd October
Interim data from staff	24 th October
First 16+ interview	18 th November
Y11 Language Mocks	12 th December
Year 11 Reports	w/b 15 th December
Year 11 Mocks	5 th -16 th January
Year 11 Projected Grades	w/b 9 th February
Final 16+ Interviews	10 th February
Year 11 Parents' Evening	11 th February
Letters out for Sixth Form	27 th February



Ecclesbourne Sixth Form Entry Requirements

- General Entry Requirements:
 - 5 GCSEs 4 – 9 (including grade 5 in English Language or Literature & Maths).
 - N.B. Maths, Science and Languages have Foundation and Higher tier. You can get grade 5 on both tiers. It does not matter which tier you gain your 5 on.
- Subject specific entry requirements:
 - e.g. Biology = Combined Science: 6,6 or Separate Science grade 6 in Biology **and in either** Chemistry or Physics.
 - You will not be able to opt for a subject you have not met entry requirements for.
- To take 4 A-levels/BTECs you need a GCSE average point score of at least 7.



A-Level Economics

Students who enjoy economics most and achieve well tend to:

- Be very interested in news and current affairs
- Already ask lots of questions about the economy
- Want to know why big issues like economic growth or interest rates matter
- Enjoy reading beyond the demands of the course
- Sign up to the free FT schools subscription and find that stimulates their interest
- Want to debate tricky topics like membership of trade blocs or income inequality.





A-Level Film Studies

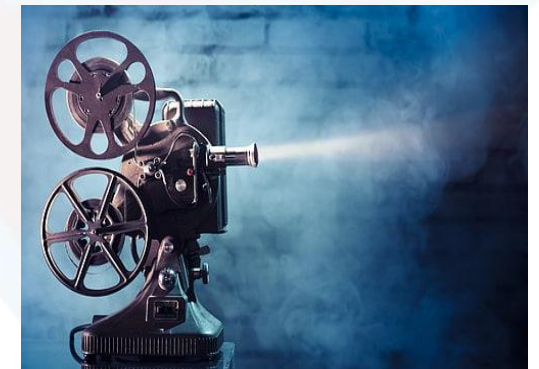
Film Studies allows you to explore your love of Cinema!

Consider your answer to the following questions:

- ▶ Do you enjoy watching and evaluating the impact of films?
- ▶ Have you ever considered how film form, such as cinematography, contributes to the reading and deeper meaning of a film?
- ▶ Have you ever thought about film as a cinematic language that communicates ethical, political, social and cultural values?

Are you interested in pursuing a future career in the fields of marketing, film production or journalism? This course gives you the opportunity to investigate how film works both as a medium of representation and an aesthetic medium.

- ▶ The course is 70% exam + 30% coursework.
- ▶ In Year 13, you will also make your own short film.





A-Level Government & Politics

UK



- Parliament
- PM & Executive
- Laws & Constitution
- Democracy
- Political Parties
- Electoral Systems
- The media



USA



- Congress
- The President
- Constitution
- Democracy & voting behaviour
- Supreme Court & Civil Rights

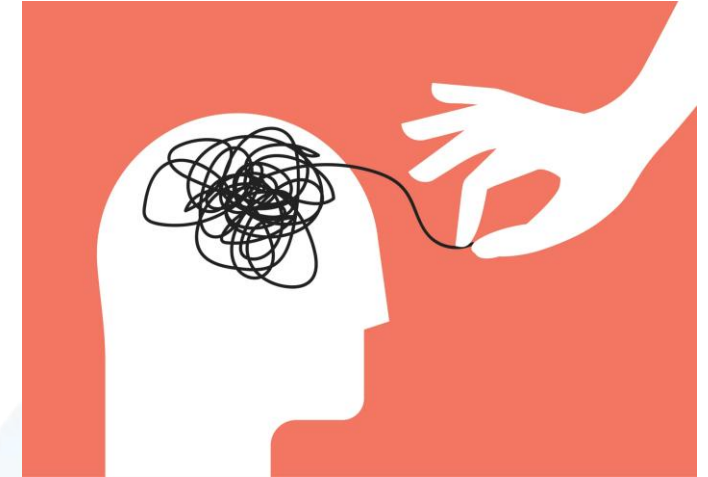
Political Theories

Socialism, Conservatism, Liberalism...



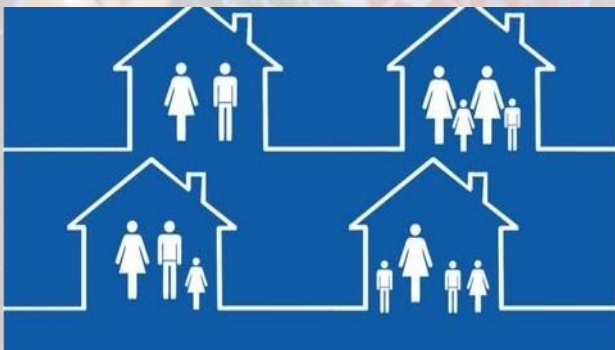
A-Level Psychology

- ▶ Psychology is the **SCIENCE** of mind and behaviour
- ▶ In Psychology we try to answer questions such as:
 - ▶ Why might eyewitness testimonies be inaccurate?
 - ▶ How can we try to reduce stress?
 - ▶ Why do we conform to rules and authority?
 - ▶ What causes depression and how should it be treated?
 - ▶ Which research method is best to use to investigate any given behaviour?





A-Level Sociology



Family and Households

How are family shapes changing?

How does this affect us?

What is the role of the family?

Is childhood toxic?



Education

Why do some groups outperform others?

Does education brainwash us?

Is the education system fair?

Why are girls more likely to pick some subjects?



Crime and Deviance

If we know it's wrong, why do some people commit crime?

Is prison really the best form of punishment?

Can crime be a positive force?



Mass Media

Who controls our media?

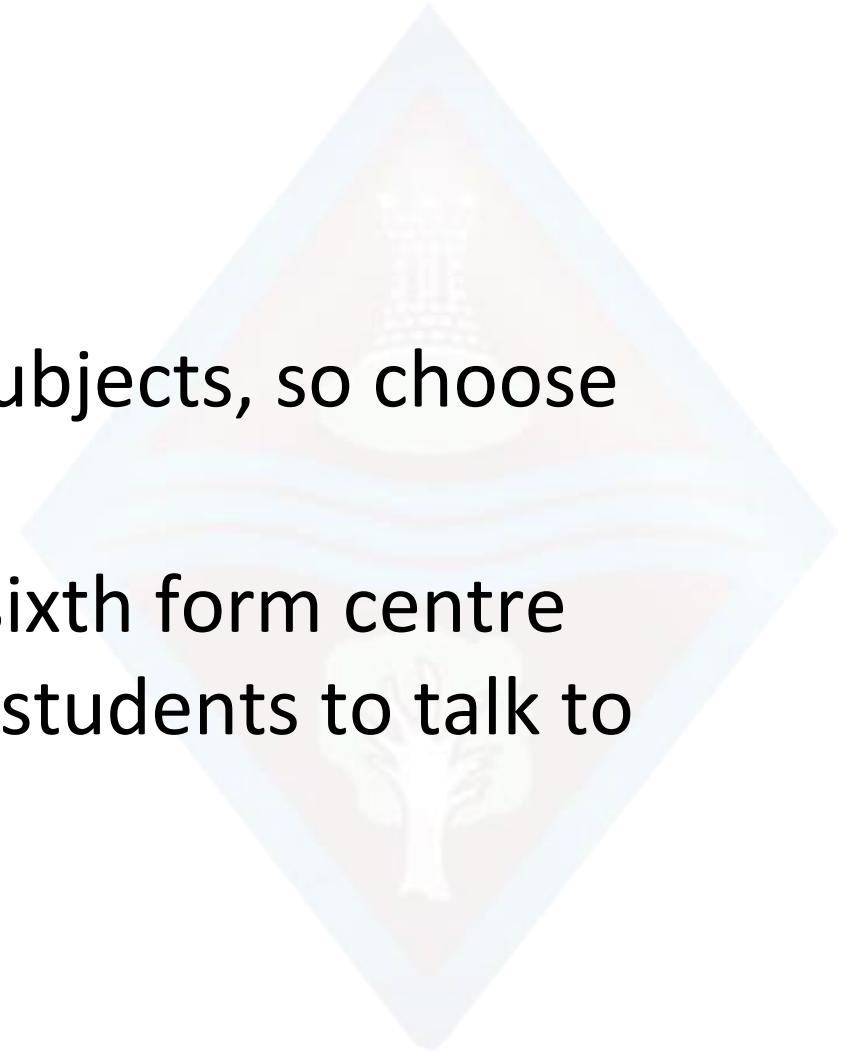
How much influence do they really have?

Can the media cause violence?



Sixth Form Open Evening

- Thursday 2nd October 6.00-8.30pm
- Introductory talk at 6.30pm
- Subject talks after; you can see up to six subjects, so choose wisely
- There will be subject classrooms and the sixth form centre open. There will be displays and staff and students to talk to





Making your choices

- First have a think about what you are interested in, what do you want to do career wise?
- Pick a subject/s that interest you or you are good at.
 - Ask teachers what their subject are like at A-level.
 - Don't pick them based on your friend's choices or teachers.
- When writing your letter think about why are you applying.
 - What skills and experiences do you have that make you stand out?
 - You might write about work experience, employment, volunteering, sport, music, drama or other out of school activities, etc.
- This letter will be useful for applying for apprenticeships, other sixth forms, some colleges, jobs, etc. It is an important skill to learn.



16+ Green Card

The Ecclesbourne School – 16+ Choices Form New Starters

A. Personal Details:

Name _____ Form 11 _____

Attendance (%) _____ Dates _____

B. Present Courses:

*TIER F = Foundation H = Higher

SUBJECT	*TIER	XMAS REP GD	MOCK GRADE	
Mathematics (Set no.)				
English Language				
English Literature				
GCSE Average Point Score (APS)				

D. POST 18 INTENTIONS or career ideas

E. Applications elsewhere for courses and/or jobs

F. Interview notes

G. YOUR COURSES IN THE SIXTH FORM

- Mark choices 1-3; 1 being your 1st preference, plus choice R (RESERVE). You must indicate a reserve choice.
- GCSE APS score of 7+ = as above but they should choose mark subjects 1-4, plus choice R (RESERVE)
- Under REQUIREMENTS, 'Gen' refers to the general entry requirements of 5 GCSEs 4-9 to include maths and English Lang or Lit Grade 5. In subjects with specific requirements, the general requirement also applies.

SUBJECT	REQUIREMENTS	Interview 1 NOV/DEC 2019 (preferred order)	Interview 2 POST MOCK JAN/FEB 2020 (preferred order)	FINAL CHOICES FOR ADMIN
Art	Gen + GCSE Art 5			
Biology	#Sci 2x6s (لڦڦڦ Biology) + لڦڦڦ 5 + Maths 5			
Business	Gen			
Chemistry	#Sci 2x6s (لڦڦڦ Chemistry) + لڦڦڦ 5 + Maths 5			
Computing	Gen			
Design - Product Design	Gen + GCSE DT grade 5			
Design - Textiles	Gen			
Drama / Theatre	Gen + English 5			
Economics	+ GCSE لڦڦڦ 5 + GCSE Maths 5			
English Literature	Gen+55 in Lit & Lang			
French	Gen + GCSE French 6			
Geography	Gen + GCSE لڦڦڦڦ 5			
German	Gen + GCSE German 6			
Government & Politics	Gen			
Health and Social Care	Gen			
History	Gen + GCSE History (5 desirable)			
ICT	Gen			
Mathematics	Gen + GCSE Maths 6			
Maths Further	Gen + GCSE Maths 7			
Music	Gen + Grade 5 standard			
Music technology	Gen			
Physical Education	Gen			
Physics	#Sci 2x6s (لڦڦڦ physics) + Maths 6			
Psychology	#Sci 2x5s + لڦڦڦ 5 + Maths 5			
Religious Studies	Gen			
Sociology	Gen			
Spanish	Gen + GCSE Spanish 6			

Bio/ لڦڦڦ / Phys - If triple science, grade 6 needed in science option plus a 6 in another science.
If combined science needs 2 grade 6's.



Extended curriculum choices

Subject	Requirements	Interview 1	Interview 2	Final choice
AS Business	5 hours a week lesson time			
Core Mathematics				
Enterprise				
Extended Project Qualification	3 hours a week ~ 1 taught lesson			
IDEAS	>5 9 or 8 grade GCSEs			
Sports Leader Level 3				

Wellbeing

Activity	Requirements	Interview 1	Final choice
PE based	PE kit		
Volunteer based			

Signed student:

parent/guardian:

Interviewer:



First 16+ Interview

On the 18th November you will meet with a member of the 16+ team where we will:

- Discuss what your plans are
- Check your grades meet entry requirements and subject specific requirements for your chosen route
- Talk about the if your choices seem suitable based on your plans
- Advise on combinations
- If Sixth Form; check your extended curriculum and wellbeing choices

Top tips:

- Quietly wait to be called for interview
- Be smartly dressed.
- Be prepared to discuss your post-16 intentions.

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Extended Curriculum and Wellbeing

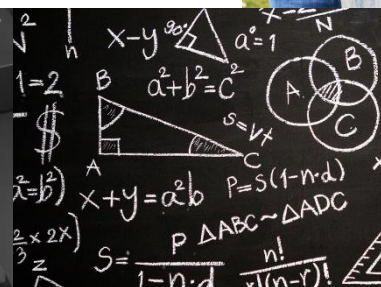
- You also need to pick one option from both the extended curriculum and wellbeing options below.
- You need to carefully consider the option in terms of workload and timetable commitment.

Extended Curriculum

- AS Business
- Core Maths
- Enterprise
- EPQ
- IDEAS
- Sports Leader Level 3 Qualification

Wellbeing

- PE
- Volunteering





Second 16+ Interview

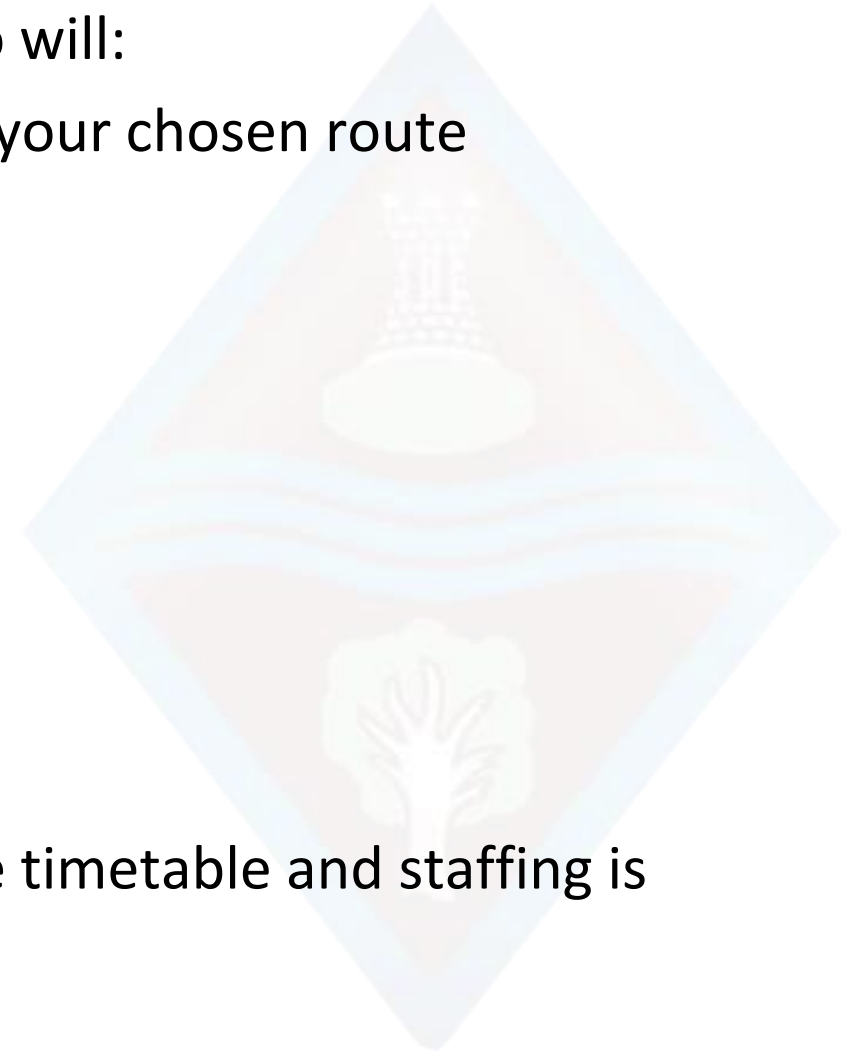
You will be interviewed by a member of the 16+ team who will:

- Check you have met entry requirements for sixth form/your chosen route
- May advise you to look at back up options

If Sixth Form;

- Check you have met subject specific requirements
- Confirm subject choices (and check changes)
- Confirm extended curriculum and wellbeing choices.

It is important that these are as accurate as possible as the timetable and staffing is decided on these. Changes will not always be possible





After Your Second Interview

Three possible outcomes:

1. You will receive an offer letter if you meet the entry requirements based on your mock grades.
2. If you do not meet the entry requirements you will receive non-acceptance letter and we will support you in looking at other options. You will need to make applications elsewhere if you haven't already.
 - If you meet the entry requirements on GCSE results day you will be offered a place. However, some subjects may be full.
3. You will be planning to continue the next step of education somewhere else.

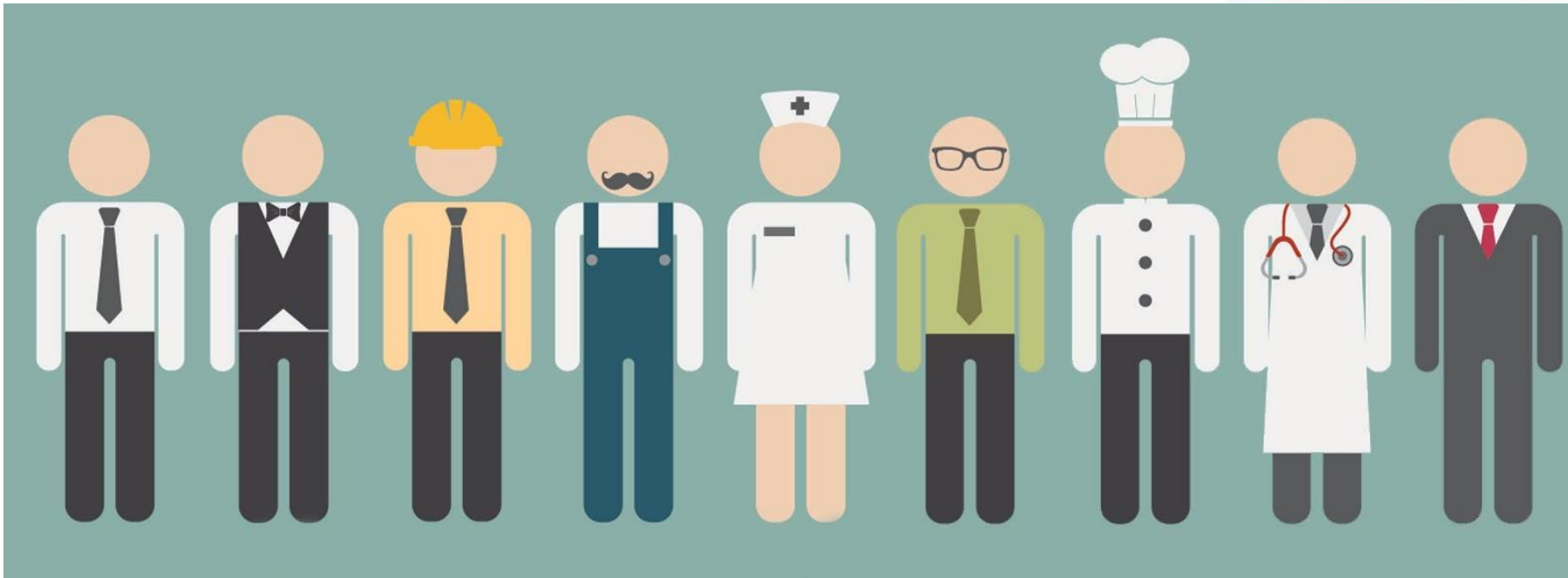


Preparing for Mocks

- You've a lot of work to revise! So start early, do little and often, using resources like flashcards, revision websites and videos.
- Schedule your time; include time for relaxation and hobbies.
- Make revision really active; make sure you are testing your knowledge through quizzes and questions.
- Focus on learning key vocabulary and terminology and ensure you use it.
- Make sure you stay on top of your workload; meet deadlines for NEAs, coursework and homework.
- Bring your equipment to lessons and mocks; pens, pencils, rulers, mathematical instruments, calculators, fully charged laptops etc.
- Make sure you carefully read the question, what does it want you to do?



- Every Year 11 will have a careers interview with our external careers advisor.
- If needed we can organise further interviews; just speak to your form tutor, USO or the careers team.





**Apprenticeship
Ambassador**



Post-16 Morning
Tuesday 30th September





Preparing for Post-16 Morning

What do you
know already?

What would
you like to find
out?

Remember that you can apply to more than one option, and
it is a good idea to have a back-up option.