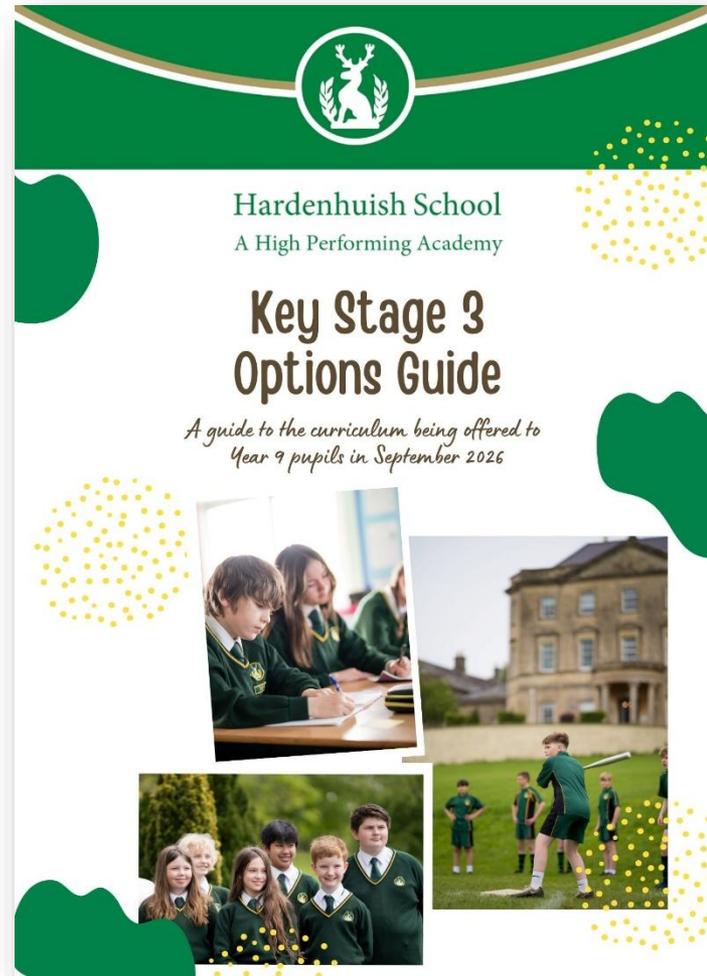


# YEAR 9 OPTIONS

- The **timeline**
- What everyone learns
- What are their **options?**
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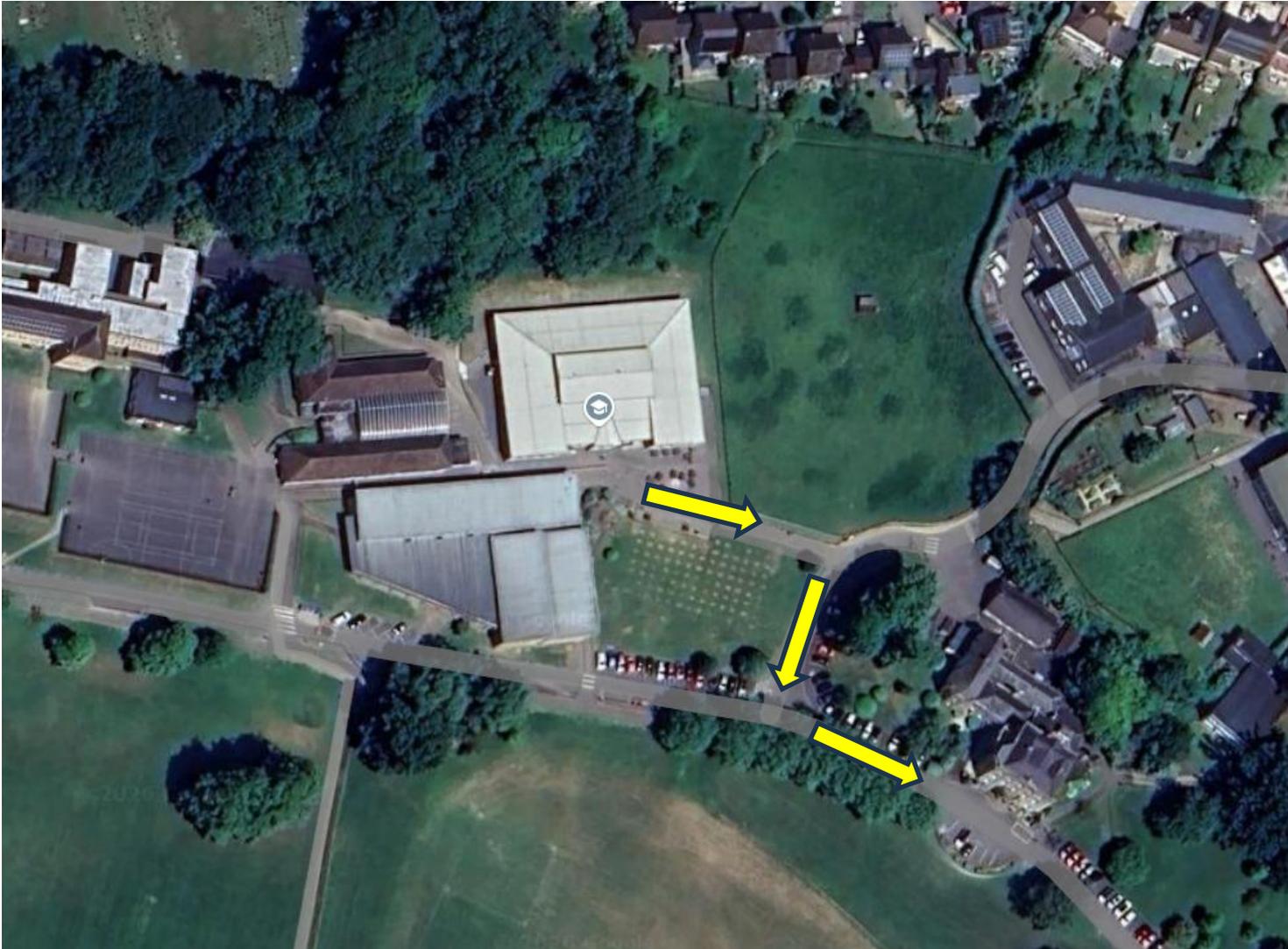
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# Housekeeping!

- In the event of a fire alarm



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# WHAT EVERYONE LEARNS IN YEAR 9

26 out of 30 lessons each week all year 9 students learn:

English	Maths	Science	ICT	RE Geography History	PE	Modern Foreign Language(s) or Literacy
4 periods	4 periods	4 periods	2 periods	2 periods each	2 periods	4 periods

This leaves 4 lessons a week for your 2 options.  
Each has 2 lessons a week.

# WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS?

Choose any **2** from:

- Art and Design
- Computer Science
- Dance
- DT: Food, Resistant Materials, Textiles, Systems and Control
- Drama
- Law, War and More\*
- Music
- PE – Sports Leadership\*
- Philosophy\*
- The World of Business\*



*\* = NEW SUBJECT TO YOU SO FIND OUT MORE!*

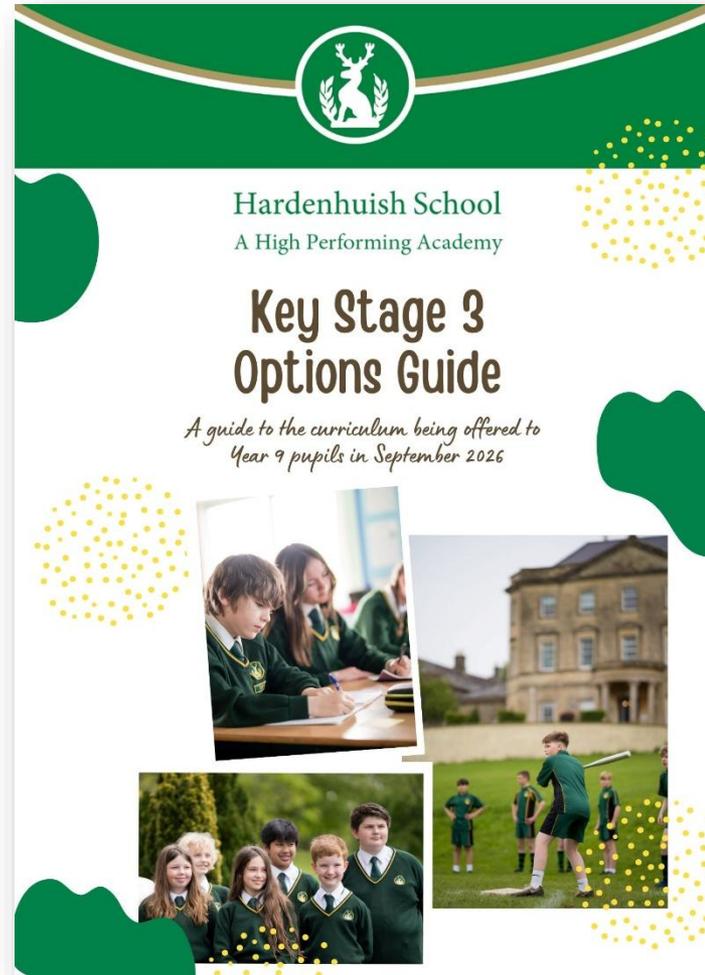
# YEAR 9 STUDENTS

- Ethan
- Grace
- Michelle

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# WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO YOU?

- **YOUR** Preparation for making GCSE choices in Year 9.
- **YOUR** Opportunity to try new subjects.
- Will affect **YOUR** enjoyment and achievement in Year 9.



# NO DOOR WILL CLOSE TO YOU

- No matter what you choose here you can still take any GCSE in year 10\*
- For example if you don't take Music in year 9 you can still take it for GCSE in year 10



*\*YOU MUST STUDY FRENCH OR SPANISH IN YEAR 9 TO TAKE THEM FOR GCSE*

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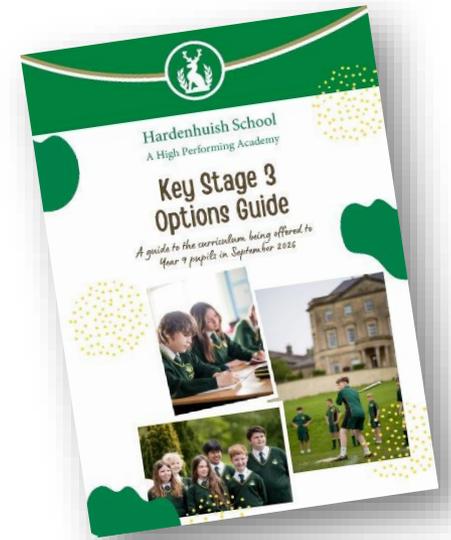
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## ART AND DESIGN

### WHAT WILL BE COVERED DURING THE COURSE?

Work is project based (Street Art, Identity & Childhood and War & Conflict) and will cover four main areas:

- Drawing, painting, and work in mixed media.
- Ceramics - you will learn new techniques and create your own sculptures.
- Print making and stencil cutting.
- Creation of personalised sketchbooks.

# ART AND DESIGN

Develop creativity and confidence through:

- Drawing, painting and printing
- Ceramics- clay and sculpture
- Print making and stencil cutting

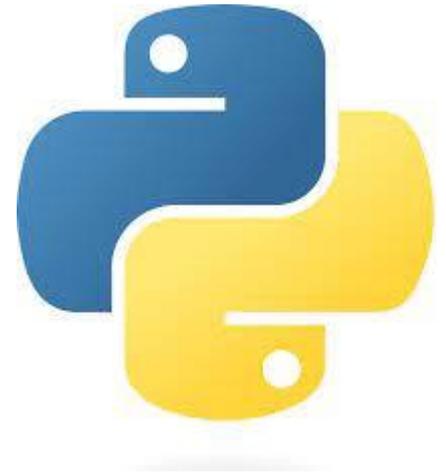


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# COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Introduction to computer programming using Python.
- AI prompt architecture and responsible use of AI
- Create computer games and apps using Scratch and Construct 3.
- Understand how a computer actually works and how data is transferred around the system.



# DANCE

- Developing fitness and performance skills in a range of dance styles.
- Composition and choreography.
- Creating a group dance for the annual dance event.



# DRAMA

- Developing vocal dexterity, movement and performance skills through a range of genre.
- Scriptwriting and devising.
- Set design and management of lighting, sound & costume.
- Theatre trip opportunities.



# DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Choose one combination of two specialisms from:

- Food technology
- Resistant Materials
- Systems and Control
- Textiles



# DT COMBINATIONS

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Choose 2 from

Choosing DT means you'll spend September to January doing one DT and then February onwards doing the second

# DT ROTATION

September  
to January

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08:45-10:30	Science	Maths	English	PE	DT - Food
09:45-10:30		ICT			
10:50-11:40	French	Geography	Drama	Science	English
11:40-12:30	Maths	English	Spanish		ICT
13:15-14:00	History	RE	Maths	Maths	RE
14:05-15:00	Geography	French	Maths	Spanish	Drama

February  
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Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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13:15-14:00	History	RE	Maths	Maths	RE
14:05-15:00	Geography	French	Maths	Spanish	Drama

# LAW, WAR AND MORE

- An introduction to law, government and politics.
- Current affairs.
- Rights and responsibilities of citizens.
- Developing ability to form and express opinions, research arguments and debate issues.



# MUSIC

- Developing performance and composition skills through a range of contemporary and classic music types.
- Individual, ensemble and class performances.
- A good choice if considering as a GCSE.



# PHILOSOPHY

- A course to develop powerful thinking skills and ask big questions!
- Themes include the moral maze, free will and where our thoughts come from.



# PE – SPORTS LEADERS

- Leads to Sports Leaders Level 1 qualification
- Developing sports leadership and coaching skills through a range of activities including rock climbing, trampolining and fitness training.



# WORLD OF BUSINESS

- Project based learning based on each main function (marketing, production, finance, human resources) to gain experience of the business world.
- Develop a business plan and take part in a Dragon's Den style pitch
- Form a small business and run a stall at the Christmas Fayre.



# HOW TO EXPLORE YOUR CHOICES

- **What do I enjoy?**

Pick subjects **you** find interesting—Teacher? Friends?



- **What am I good at?**

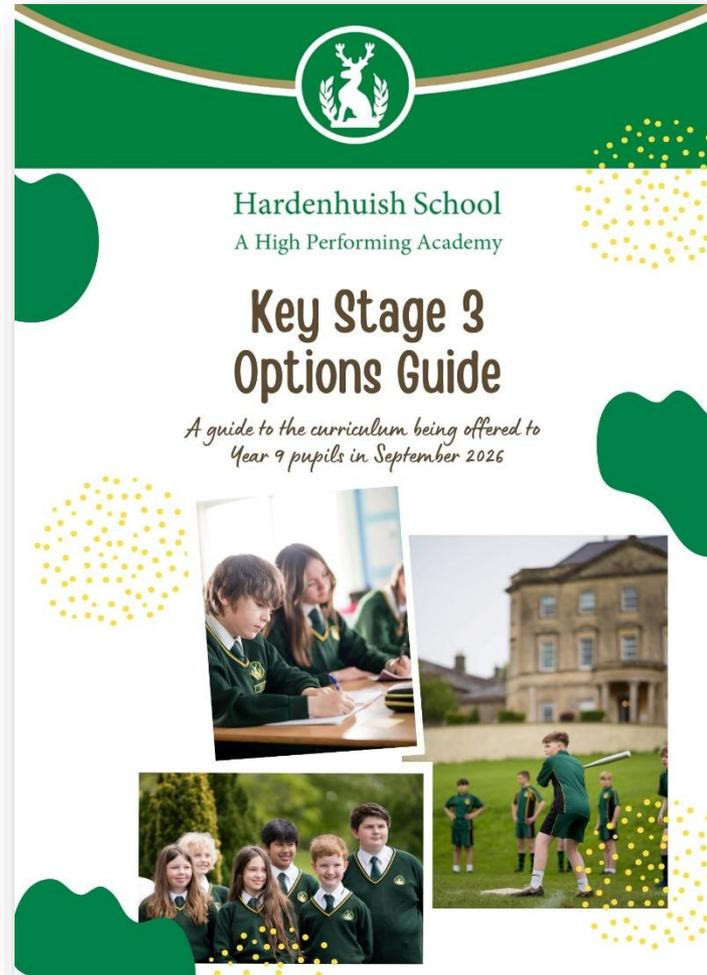
Identify **your strengths**. Experience, Reports, Teacher, Parents, PPCE



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# HOW TO SUBMIT THE CHOICES

## Hardenhuish School KS3 Options Form 2026

Please complete and submit this form no later than Thursday 26th March 2026.

When you submit this form, it will not automatically collect your details like name and email address unless you provide it yourself.

### 4. Option Preference 1 \*

Please select 1 subject from the list below

- Art and Design
- Computer Science
- Dance

### 5. Option Preference 2 \*

Please select 1 subject from the list below

- Art and Design
- Computer Science
- Dance

### 6. Reserve Option \*

Please select 1 subject from the list below

- Art and Design
- Computer Science
- Dance

# TWO REALLY IMPORTANT BOXES

## 6. Reserve Option \*

Please select 1 subject from the list below

Art and Design

Computer Science

Dance

6. Please can you explain if you have any particular preference between the options selecting. For example if there is a subject you absolutely must study or if you have a preference between the two selected. This will be useful if there is a reason we can't give you one of the two selected. \* 

Enter your answer

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