

# Subject Information      Options 2015-17

Below is useful information from departments that should be used to help choose your option subjects. If you require any further information please speak to the member of staff responsible for the subject.

## Compulsory Subjects

		<b>Subject</b>
		<b>English Language</b>
	<b>Exam Board</b>	AQA
	<b>Syllabus number</b>	8700
	<b>Member of staff responsible</b>	Mrs J Bonner
	<b>Accreditation</b>	GCSE
Exam Information	<b>How many?</b>	2
	<b>When taken?</b>	June Year 11
	<b>Percentage of final mark</b>	50% each
Coursework Information	<b>How many?</b>	3 speaking and listening tasks
	<b>When taken?</b>	Throughout the course
	<b>Percentage of final mark</b>	0%, but recorded as a separate speaking and listening grade on the certificate
Controlled Assignment Information	<b>How many?</b>	None
	<b>When taken?</b>	
	<b>Percentage of final mark</b>	
<b>Brief outline of subject</b>		All assessment is now through external examination at the end of the course and teaching will be towards this. There are two examination papers. Each is equally weighted, and worth 50% of the overall marks (80 marks per paper). 1¾ hours is the time allowed for each paper.
<b>Characteristic of students who succeed in this subject</b>		Those who are analytical, imaginative and enjoy exploring new concepts. Students that have secure literacy skills, or who are prepared to work towards securing those skills.
<b>Relevant information that may be important</b>		There will be a new 1 – 9 grading scale for this GCSE, 9 being the top grade.
<b>Advisory Entry Level Requirements</b>		This is a compulsory subject. All students will be entered.