



Options Evening 2025

Odyssey Routeway

Ambition • Determination • Excellence • Integrity • Kindness • Respect

Exciting times ahead!

You are entering the next phase your education journey and it's time to choose your options for the next three years...

10 Reasons Why the Options Process is Exciting

- A choice in some of the subjects that you are passionate about.
- It allows you to explore potential career paths.
- Gain more independence in shaping your education.
- The process builds decision-making and responsibility skills.
- A chance to focus on strengths and interests.
- Opportunity to try new subjects that were not available before.
- Helps students feel more engaged and motivated in their learning.
- Prepares you for future qualifications and career opportunities.
- Encourages personal growth and self-discovery.
- Marks an important milestone in your educational journey.

Pathways – Years 9, 10 and 11

- The majority of subjects that we offer are GCSEs (General Certificate of Secondary Education). These will lead up to a **final exam** in each subject at the end of Year 11
- A select few subjects are BTEC (Business and Technology Education Council) qualifications. These are **mainly coursework based** and have ongoing assessments, although they do also contain an exam element

Your Key Stage 4 Curriculum

Core Curriculum Content

Examinable Subjects

- English (Literature & Language)
- Mathematics
- Biology, Chemistry and Physics (3 or 2 GCSEs)

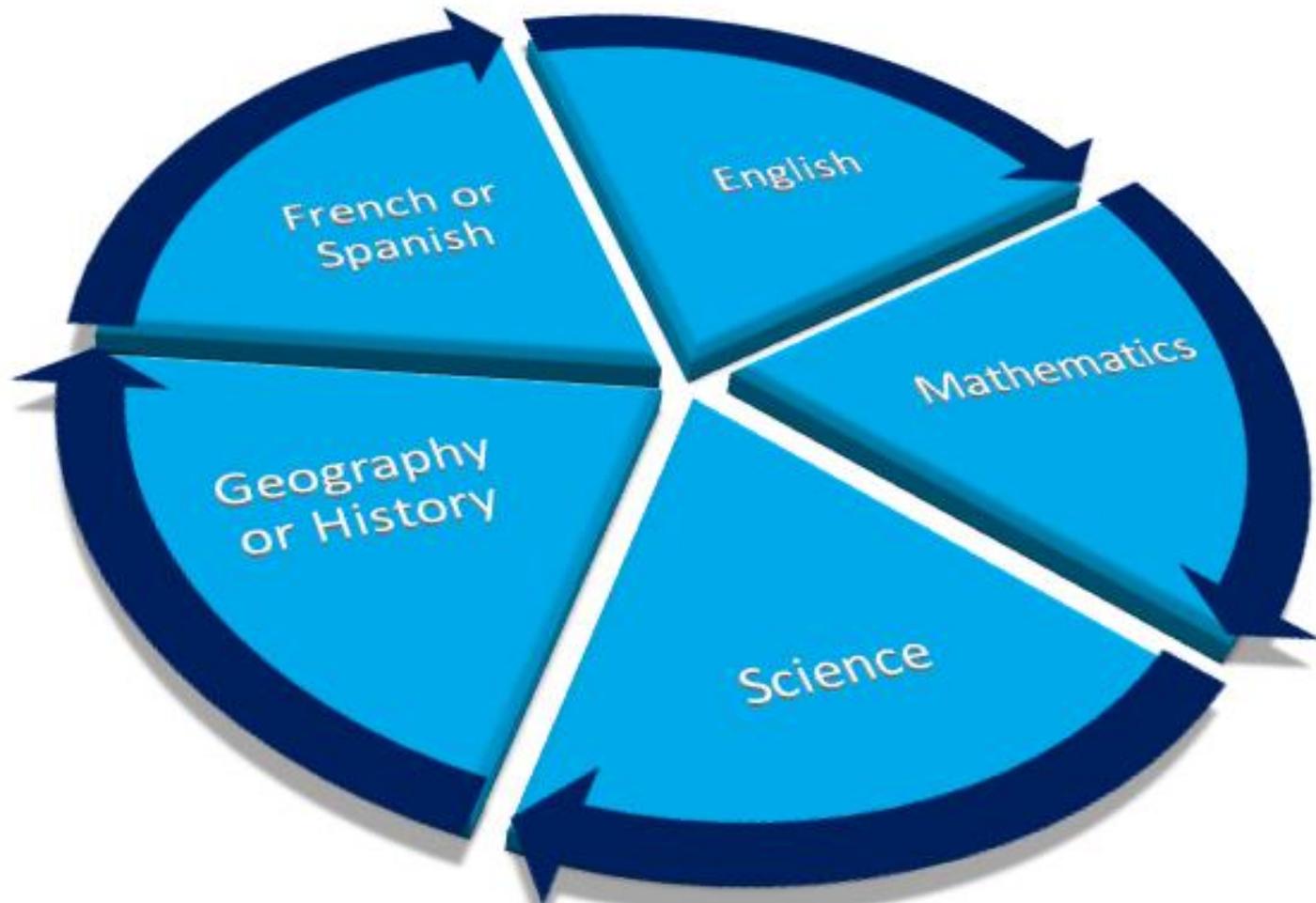
Non-examinable Content

- Physical Education
- Religious Education
- PSHE

PLUS YOUR FINAL 4 OPTIONS
We will ask you to make 6 choices.

The English Baccalaureate (EBACC)

We will suggest that this is a good option for those looking to follow an academic pathway in the future.



What subjects can I choose from?

In addition to the compulsory core curriculum, you will select 6 subjects from the list below. You will be allocated 4 subjects from the 6 you select, so each selection is important!

- Art & Design
- Computer Science
- Construction in the Built Environment
- Creative iMedia
- Design Technology
- Dance
- Drama
- Food Preparation & Nutrition
- French – EBACC
- Geography - EBACC
- Health and Social Care
- History - EBACC
- Music
- Photography
- Religious Education
- Spanish – EBACC
- Sport

What subjects will I be taking?

<u>Odyssey Routeway</u>	<u>Endeavour Routeway</u>	<u>Voyage Routeway</u>
Alternative Provision	At least 1 from History, Geography, or MFL	History or Geography
Open Selection 1	Open Selection 1	French or Spanish
Open Selection 2	Open Selection 2	Open Selection 1
Open Selection 3	Open Selection 3	Open Selection 2

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What does the Odyssey Routeway involve?

Year 9

6-week blocks of learning with a focus on essential skills for employment including Problem solving, Teamwork, Leadership and Communication skills.

Examples could include:

- Outside classroom
- Boxing
- GASP Motor vehicle
- SATRO
- Army engagement
- Paddleboarding, Climbing, Colleges, Animal therapy.

- Assisted Study

What does the Odyssey Routeway involve?

Year 10 & 11

Students will attend a Vocational Centre for 1 day per week.

Sessions will run from 9:30-1:30pm.

This will be confirmed once the timetable has been completed as it will depend on the day of the week that best fits the timetable.

Examples may include:

- Animal care
- Early years
- Health and Social Care
- Beauty Therapy
- Music Performance
- Sport
- Catering and Hospitality
- Hairdressing
- Motor Vehicle
- Music Production

Making a Decision

When selecting your 6 Options you will need to be able to answer the following questions...

- Am I good at the subject?
- Do I enjoy it?
- Will your choices keep doors open for your next stage of education?

Research the Information

- What will I be doing if I select this course?

Ask Advice

- Who can help guide me in making the right decision?

Good Decision Making

Can you answer 'Yes' to the following?...

- Will the subjects that I choose stretch and challenge me?
- Have I chosen a good balance between practical/vocational and academic subjects to fully prepare me for KS5?
- Will my option choices give me the chance to achieve the best grades I can for my future?
- Based on what I've read and learnt about each subject, will I enjoy my KS4 courses?

If you don't know what you'd like to do later in your life, that's ok! Keep your options broad and balanced and doors will remain open.

Bad Decision Making

Do NOT choose it because...

- One of my friends is choosing it!
- I have been told it is easy!
- The teacher is one of my favourites!
- You think there is very little written work!
- “I’ve picked my top 4, so I’ll just fill up the last two spots with anything!”

How to Select Options



Click the appropriate links within the Sway.

Options Booklet and Map

North Building Rooms to visit

Ground Floor

- Computing & Creative iMedia - **N001**
- Construction and the Built Environment/ Design Technology - **N007**
- Food Preparation and Nutrition - **N006**
- Library- **N005**

First Floor

- Modern Foreign Languages (French and Spanish) - **N117**

Labels: MFL N117, First Floor, North Building, Ground Floor.



Labels: West Building, Quad/Courtyard, Performing Arts - Dance, Drama, Music E011, Presentations Assembly Hall, East Building.

- East Building Rooms to visit**
- Performing Arts - Dance, Drama, Music - **E011**
 - Presentations - **Assembly Hall**

South Building rooms to visit

Ground Floor

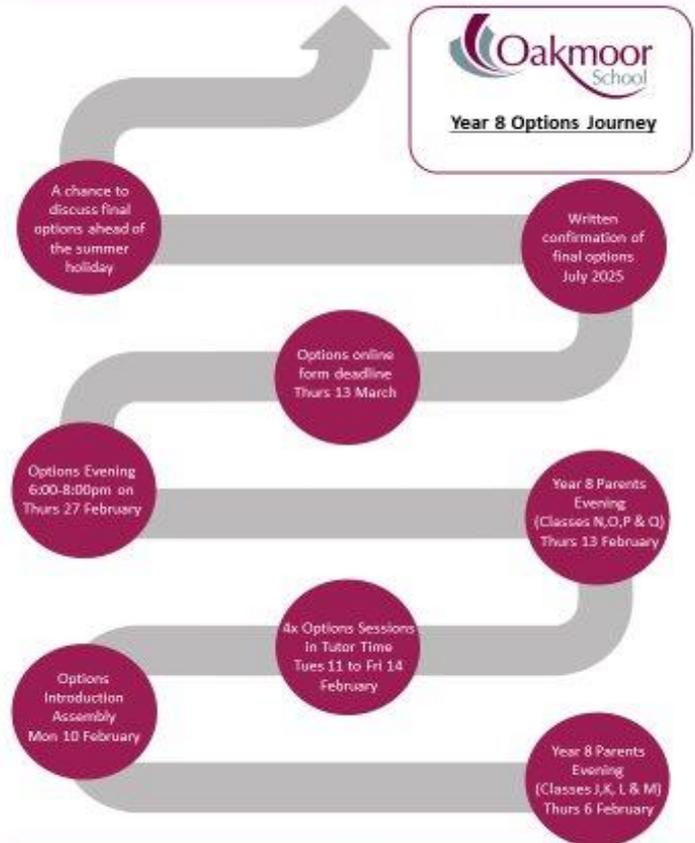
- Sport - **S014**
- Careers prospectuses - **Dining Hall**
- Tea/Coffee & Refreshments - **Dining Hall**

First Floor

- History & Religious Education - **S110**
- Geography - **S111**
- Art & Design/Photography - **S103**
- Sport, Health and Social Care - **S014**

Labels: History & Religious Education S110, Geography S111, Art & Design/Photography S103, Sport, Health and Social Care S014, First Floor, South Building, Ground Floor, Main Entrance.

Key Stage 4



Options Booklet and Map

