

Year 8 GCSE Parent Information Evening

Helping you achieve the future
you deserve

Your future is in your hands!

Thursday 23rd November 2017

Why are we here?



- 1. To understand the changes to the curriculum and how your child will be measured**
- 2. How to support your child to ensure success**
- 3. Gain information on any current changes to GCSE/BTEC courses**
- 4. The Options Process and next steps**

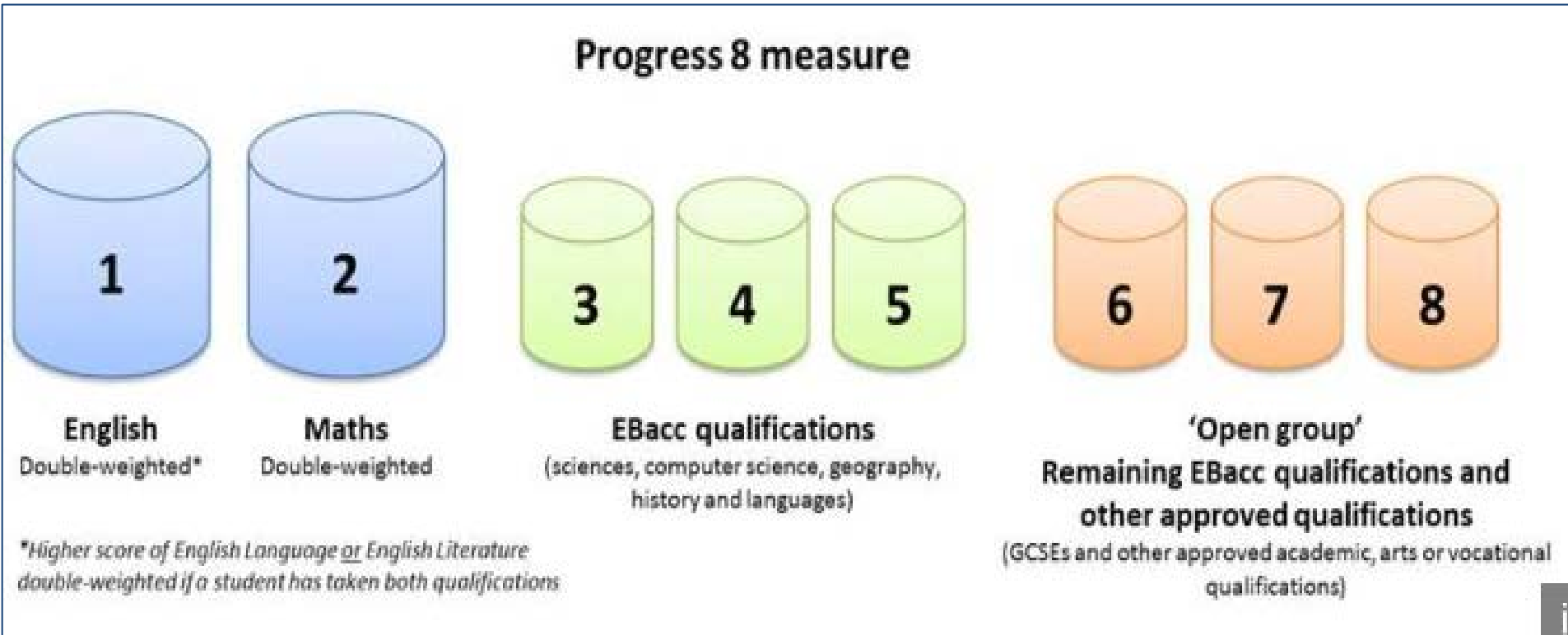
Letters to levels

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	
8	A*
7	A
6	B
5	B
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
U	G
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GOOD PASS (DfE)
5 and above = top of C and above

AWARDING
4 and above = bottom of C and above

What are buckets?



- Here are some links to help you understand Progress & Attainment 8
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2qeQxQ06TXw>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4IAEgFMSGDY>

How will success be measured in 2021?

Your top eight subjects will be divided into ten blocks with Maths and English counting twice each:

Maths	Maths	English	English	Ebacc 1	Ebacc 2	Ebacc 3	Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 1	Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 2	Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 3
Result for GCSE: Maths		Best result between GCSE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Language English Literature 		Best three results from the following Ebacc GCSE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spanish French Physics Chemistry Biology Computer Science Core Science Additional Science History Geography GCSE *Ancient or Modern *Home Language Ebacc – From the list of English Baccalaureate GCSE subjects			Best three results for any GCSE or level 2 qualification (examples below): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BTEC Health and social care Hairdressing college course Any other GCSE such as business, media, drama, PE, art... 		

Your grades in 2021?

Subjects will now convert to the 9-1 grade system as they are superseded with new specifications from 2019. This is an example result set:

Maths		English	English	Ebacc 1	Ebacc 2	Ebacc 3	Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 1	Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 2	Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 3
Result from: Grade 5 - Maths		Best result from GCSE:		Best three results from the following Ebacc GCSE:			Best three results for any GCSE or level 2 qualification:		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 - English Lang 5 - English Lit 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 - Spanish 4 - Physics 6 - Chemistry 5 - Biology 5 - Computer Science 6 - History 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 - Design Technology 4 - GCSE RE 		

How your grades will count in 2021?

The highest grades achieved in each block are allocated. Notice that English Language and Computing can count in the last block as they are the best results:

Maths		English		Ebacc 1 Ebacc 2 Ebacc 3			Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 1 Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 2 Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 3		
Result is doubled: 5 - Maths		Best result is doubled: 5 - English Lang 6 - English Lit		Best three results from the following Ebacc GCSE: 7 - Spanish 4 - Physics 6 - Chemistry 4 - Biology 5 - Computer Science 5 - History			Best three results for any GCSE or level 2 qualification: 7 - Design Technology 4 - GCSE RE		
5 Maths	5 Maths	6 Eng Lit	6 Eng Lit	7 Spanish	6 Chem	5 History	7 DT	5 English Lang	5 Comp.

Attainment 8 and Progress 8 in 2021?

Maths		English		Ebacc 1			Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 1		Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 2		Other Ebacc, BTEC or GCSE 3
5 Maths	5 Maths	6 Eng Lit	6 Eng Lit	7 Spanish	6 Chem	5 History	6 DT	5 English Lang	5 Comp.		
<p><u>Attainment 8 Score</u> This is your average grade</p>			<p>$5+5 + 6+6 + 7+6+5 + 7+5+5 = 57$ (divide 57 by 10 to get the average grade)</p>						<p>Average Grade is 5.7</p>		
<p><u>Progress 8 Score</u> This is how well you have done since Primary School</p>			<p>Your Keystage 2 SATS score will generate targets for all of your subjects. For example these targets add to 50 Your grades achieved add to 57 Difference: $57-50 = +7$</p>						<p>(divide 7 by 10 to get progress as a proportion of one grade) Progress is 0.7</p>		

How can you support your child to make informed choices?

*Science, Engineering
& Technology*

*Transport &
Logistics*

*Information
Technology*

Education

Agriculture

*Health &
Care*

Top jobs of the Future

*Business &
Finance*

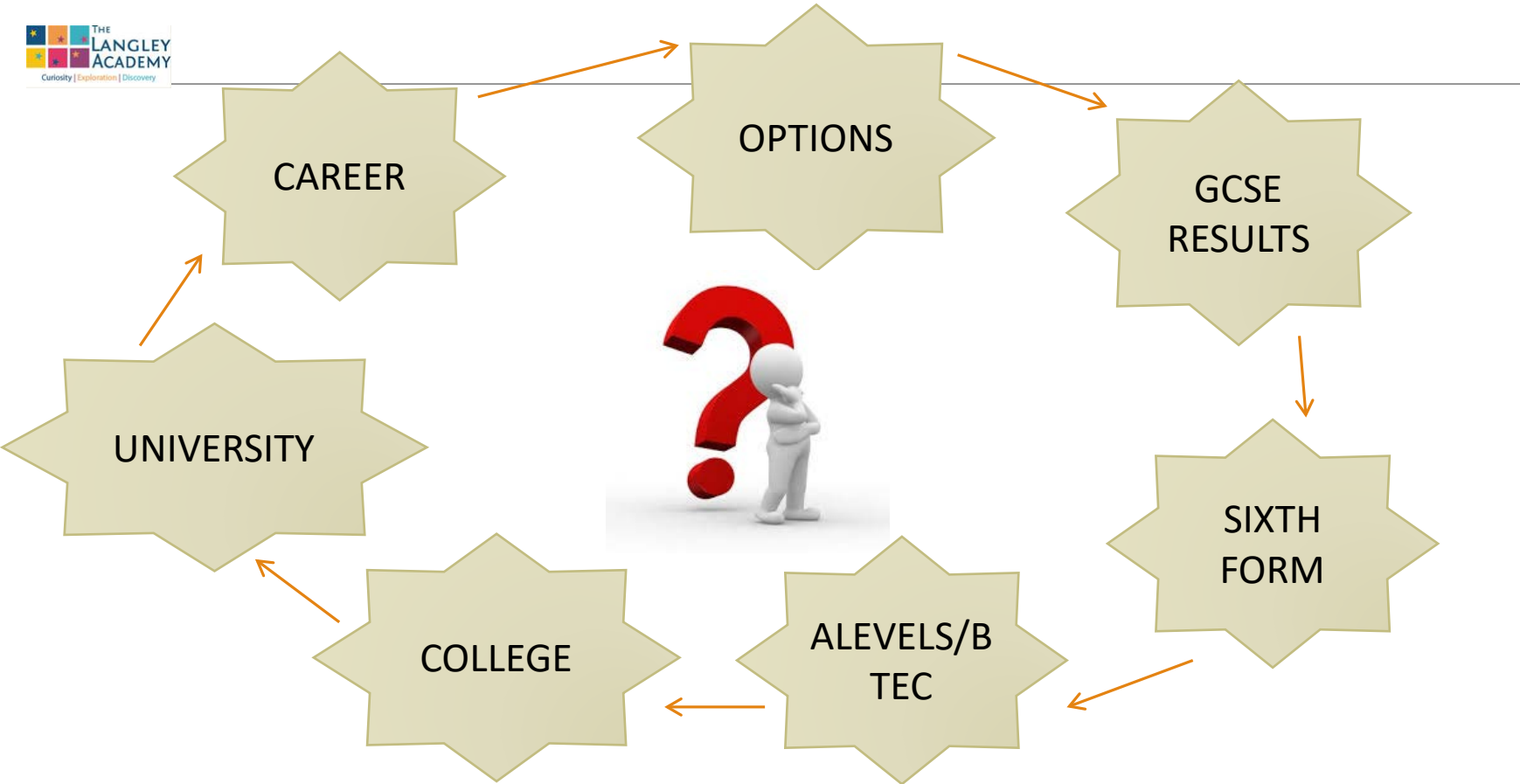
Construction

*Manufacturing,
Installation,
Maintenance*

Protective Services



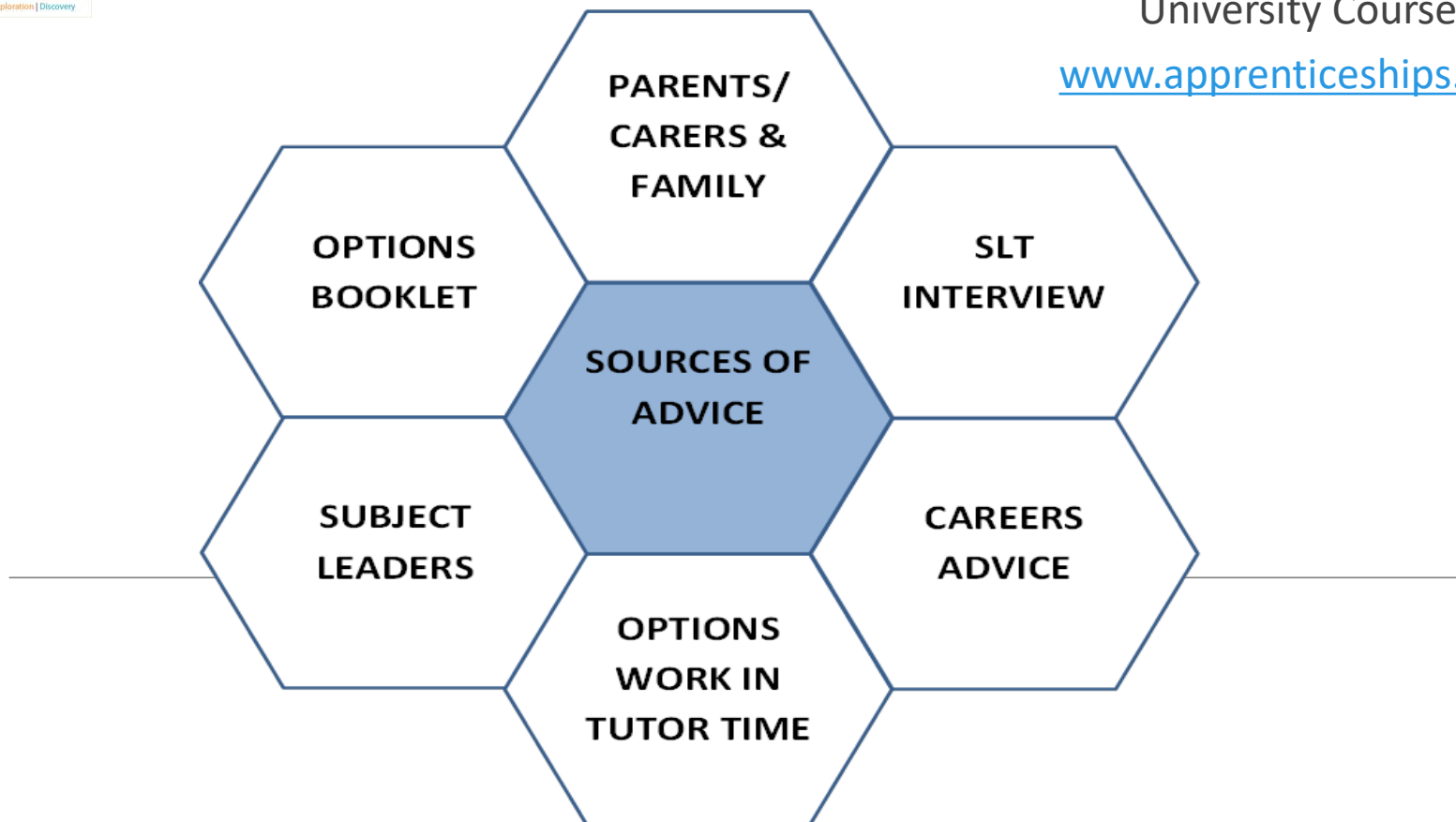
IMPLICATIONS FOR YOUR FUTURE



Information Sources

Heap 2016 Guide:
University Course Offers

www.apprenticeships.org.uk



Do

1. Get as much advice as you can
2. Talk to their teachers
3. Talk to your parents/carers
4. Talk to older students
5. Research into possible careers paths they may be considering
6. Choose subjects which will help them progress into post 16 education and onto university/apprenticeship/employment
7. Choose subjects they have an interest in
8. Choose subjects they are successful in

Don't

1. Choose a subject because they like the teacher
2. Choose a subject because their 'friends' are choosing it
3. Choose a subject because they think it will be easy

What is the process of making choices – what's next?

Key Dates

Date	Event
WB 30 October	Options Assembly - Presentation of the options process to students.
06 November	Options Assembly - Presentation from Heads of Faculty from Humanities and Communications.
13 November	Options Assembly - Presentation from Heads of Faculty from CAPA and PE.
19 November	Options Assembly - Presentation from Heads of Faculty from Design Technology and Business.
23 November	GCSE Options - Parent Information Evening (Options Form handed out).
04 December	Options Assembly – Presentation on the selection process
08 December	First Option Choice Deadline
18 January	Year 8 Parents Evening
08 March	GCSE Options Advice, Information and Guidance Evening – 1 to 1 meeting with a member of Leadership.
16 March	Final Option Choices Form deadline.

Popular Subjects and Clashes

Some subjects may be over-subscribed.

Some subjects may be undersubscribed and not run.

Some subjects combinations may not fit together in the timetable.

In these cases, we may have to offer alternative courses— but we will speak to students on an individual basis — there will be no surprises in September 2018.

This is why we ask for reserve options to be chosen.

What is in my pack?

1. Most recent report.
2. Explanation of new reporting system.
3. Y8 Options Process Key Dates.
4. DofE guidance on curriculum changes and Ebacc.
5. Course Descriptions for Compulsory & Option Subjects.
6. Options Form.

You must complete the Options Form and hand back to Mr Jeyaratnam in N213 by **Friday 8th December**.

Thank you for listening.

Any questions?