



Curriculum

We believe that all students of 11 – 16 are entitled to a broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum which leads to a range of public exams. The school operates a ten-day timetable of 50 lessons per cycle.

HOW WE GROUP

From Year 8 some subjects are set (grouped by ability). Mathematics is set from the First Term of Year 7.

By Year 10, most subjects are taught in sets.

We group students in sets in order to

- ensure that students of all levels of ability are motivated and enthusiastic about their studies
- provide work which is appropriate and challenging for each student's ability
- allow for movement between groups
- target support where it is most needed.

KEY STAGE THREE (Years 7, 8 and 9)

The school is committed to delivering the KS3 Strategy

SUBJECT	LESSONS PER CYCLE
<i>Art and Music</i>	4
<i>Design Technology</i>	4
<i>Drama</i>	1
<i>English</i>	7
<i>French</i>	5
<i>Humanities including Religious Education, Geography and History</i>	8
<i>Mathematics</i>	6
<i>Physical Education</i>	4
<i>Science</i>	7
<i>Information and Communication Technology</i>	2
<i>Personal, Social and Health Education & Citizenship</i>	2

KEY STAGE FOUR (Years 10 and 11)

Each subject results in one GCSE except where stated.

SUBJECT	LESSONS PER CYCLE
<i>The Core Curriculum</i>	
<i>English (two GCSEs for most)</i>	7
<i>Mathematics</i>	6
Core Science	5
Religious Education (Short Course)	2
Physical Education (non GCSE)	4
Personal, Social Health Education & Citizenship	2
Core Option in Business or Sport	4
Options	$4 \times 5 = 20$

A range of courses are offered as options in 4 different blocks, Courses include - Double Science, Art, Music, Drama, GCSE PE, Business Studies, Business and Communication Systems, ICT, French, Geography, History, Religious Studies, Design Technology (Resistant Materials, Graphics, Food, Textiles), Child Development, Health and Social Care, Integrated Humanities.

Vocational Courses taught in collaboration with Filton and City of Bristol Colleges include: Engineering, Beauty, Motor Mechanics, Animal Care and Media Studies