



Inclusion



Success



Confidence



Responsibility



Opportunities



Enjoyment



Care

What defines our school community?

Year 9
Options

Where to start? Responsibility

- Important questions to ask yourself:
- What career aspirations do you have?
- Which subjects will help you achieve your ambitions?
- Are the courses suited to you?
- Will your choices keep your options open?





Responsibility - Choosing your options

- Route 1 - You know which job/industry you want to go into after school

Careers library

✓ Careers favoured

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Subjects library

✗ Subjects favoured

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Pharmacy and Pharmacology

10 most popular school subjects

Chemistry (94.18%)
Biology (88.69%)
Mathematics (71.68%)
Physics (23.41%)
Psychology (20.01%)
English Language and Literature (11.12%)
Geography (9.48%)
History (8.23%)



Choosing your options

- Route 2 - You have no idea what you want to do after school.

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✓ Careers favoured

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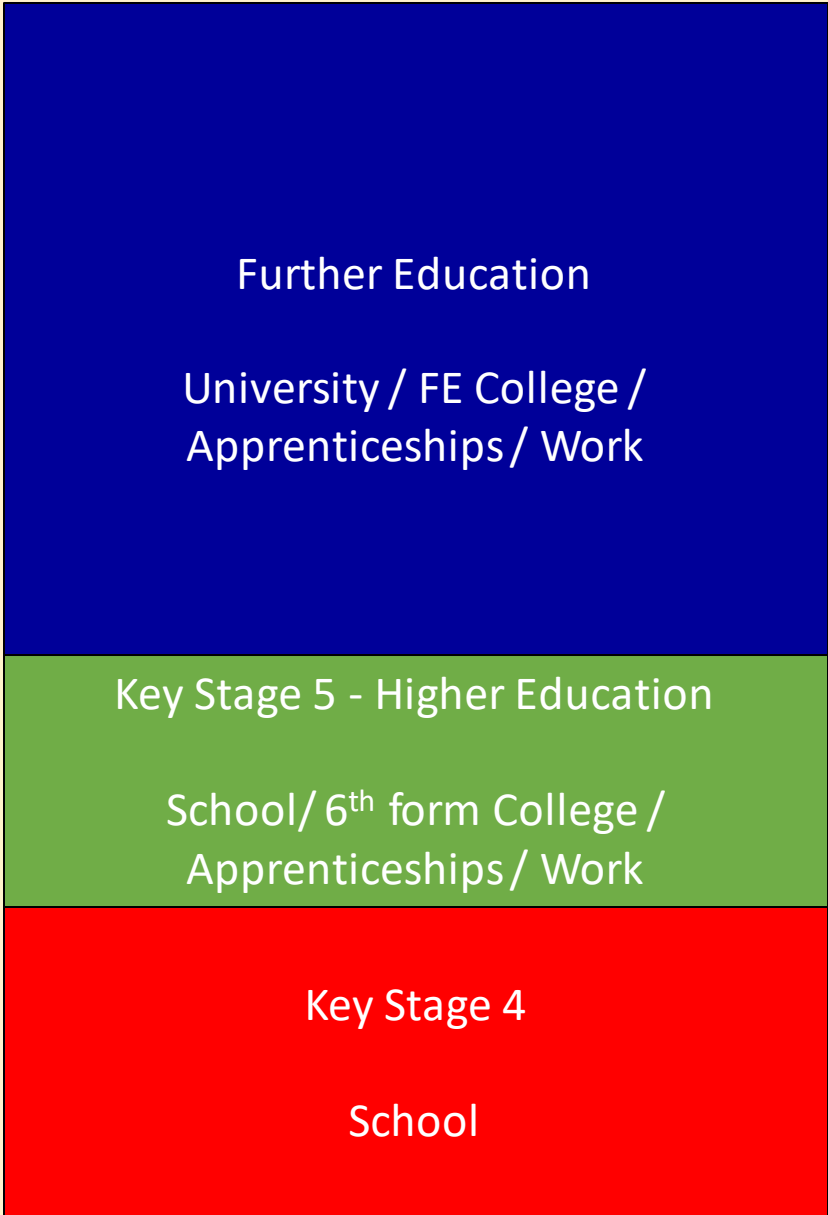
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Personality profile

✓ Quiz completed: ESTJ and ESTP

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Start >



National Qualifications Framework

LEVEL 8	Doctorate PhD			
LEVEL 7	Masters Degree MS, MSc, MPhil			
LEVEL 6				
LEVEL 5	Bachelor Degree BA, BSc	Foundation Degree FdA, FdSc	HND	Higher Apprenticeship
LEVEL 4			HNC	
LEVEL 3	A-Level	A2	L3 Diploma (National)	Advanced Apprenticeship
LEVEL 2	GCSE Grades 9-4		L2 Award/Certificate/Diploma BTEC/Cambridge National/Vocational Award	Intermediate Apprenticeship
LEVEL 1			GCSE Grades 3-1	L1 Award/Certificate/Diploma BTEC/Cambridge National/Vocational Award
				ENTRY LEVEL

Budehaven

The Curriculum – What you Study



The National Curriculum requires that all pupils study a **core** curriculum of:

- **English Language**
- **English Literature**
- **Mathematics**
- **Science**
- **Citizenship, RE, Careers and Sex and Relationships Education**
- **Physical Education**

**Plus four optional subjects
Each option receive 5 hours a
fortnight on your timetable**



GCSEs / Level 2 Qualifications taken

GCSE
English
Literature

GCSE
English
Language

GCSE
Maths

Option

Option

Option

In Combined Science you study Physics, Chemistry and Biology.

If you choose separate sciences, the combined science slots and an option are replaced by Physics, Chemistry and Biology.



Opportunities – KS4 Guided Choice – Choose one

Computer
Science

French

Geography

History

Separate
Sciences

Spanish



Opportunities – KS4 Options Subjects – Choose 3

Art and Design	Business Studies	Computer Science	Introduction By Invitation Construction	Creative iMedia	Design Technology
Drama	French	Geography	Health and Social Care	History	Hospitality and Catering
Information Technologies	Music	Photography	Religious Studies	Separate Science	Spanish
		Sport Studies	Travel and Tourism		



Year 9 Options Video Library



Year 9 Options Booklet
(PDF)

Subject Video Library

Year 9 Options Video Library

This Video Library from each of the subjects can help you to decide on the right pathway.

Art

Business Studies

Computer Science

Creative iMedia

DT

Drama

Geography

Health & Social Care

History

Hospitality and Catering

ICT

Modern Languages

Music

Photography

Qualification Type - GCSE

- Grades 1 – 9
- Most subjects assessed by final written paper (Some open choice subjects have an element of coursework)
- Requires the retention of knowledge / application of skills for final written paper

Department for Education

GCSE Grading

New Grading Structure	Old Grading Structure
9	A*
8	
7	A
6	
5	B
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
	G
U	U

OCR Nationals, Level 1/2 and Btec Qualifications

- Assessed by a mixture of coursework or practical assessments
- Final written paper

Cambridge National L1/2	GCSE Grading	
	GCSE 9 – 1 grades	Old Grading Structure
BTEC Quals		
D*2	9	A*
D2	8	A
M2	7	A
P2	6	B
	5	B
D1	4	C
M1	3	D
P1	2	E
	1	F
	1	G
	U	U

Choose a course because:

- **It fits your interests and abilities**
- **You are good at it and think you will enjoy it**
- **It links to a career idea**
- **You think you might want to continue studying it after Year Eleven**
- **It will help you meet the entry requirements for the post-16 options which interest you**
- **It will help you give you plenty of choice post-16**

Don't choose a course because:

- Your friends have chosen it
- Someone else thinks it will be a good idea for you to do it
- You think it will be easy
- You think it's a good course for a boy/girl to do
- You don't have time to research your options properly or to get any information and advice
- You like the teacher you have now

Success Use Reports!



SUBJECT	ATTITUDE TO LEARNING	GCSE GRADE RANGE *
ENGLISH	Outstanding	Grade 6 to 8
MATHEMATICS	Outstanding	Grade 7 to 9
ART & DESIGN	Outstanding	Grade 6 to 8
COMPUTING	Good	Grade 7 to 9
FRENCH	Outstanding	Grade 7 to 9
GEOGRAPHY	Outstanding	Grade 7 to 9
HISTORY	Outstanding	Grade 5 to 7
MUSIC	Outstanding	Grade 6 to 8
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Outstanding	Grade 5 to 7
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Outstanding	Grade 7 to 9
SCIENCE	Good	Grade 5 to 7
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	Outstanding	Grade 6 to 8
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	Good	Grade 4 to 6
PSHE	Outstanding	

Key Dates



- 30th November - Student Assembly in School 8:50 – 9:10 am
- 30th November – KS4 Options Market Place – John Ward Hall 5:45 – 6:30pm
- 6th December Careers interviews
- 7th December - Year 9 Parents' Evening - Options form emailed out
- 5th January – Last day options form can be edited
- Summer Term 2 – Confirmation of options letter

Options Form - Classcharts Announcement 1st Decemebr

- Deadline for completion 5th January
- Can be edited between these dates
- Options chosen in order of preference
- You can change your options after this date by emailing james.grill@budehaven.cornwall.sch.uk

Options form Pathway A

Please choose four option and two reserve subjects using this form. The form can be edited up until 9th January 2023

Your email address will be recorded when you submit this form

***Required**

Forename

Your answer

Surname

Your answer



Care - Where to find answers:

- 2024 – 2025 Options Booklet
- Unifrog
- Form Tutors
- Careers Advice
- PSHE Careers Lessons
- KS4 Marketplace
- Your teachers – Parents' Evening
- Parents

