



+ Making The Grade Y9 – 18 June 2015

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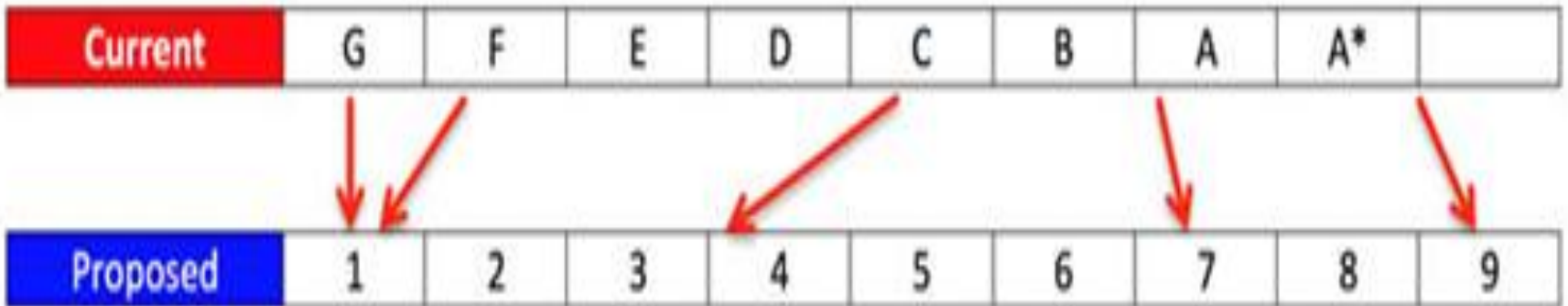
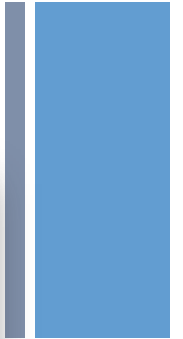
+ Year 9 into 10 Transition



- New courses GCSE/BTEC
- New timetable
- New groupings
- New deadlines
- New grading system
- New challenges and opportunities
- Time management
- Organisation
- Communication
- Revision skills
- Resilience or PYU

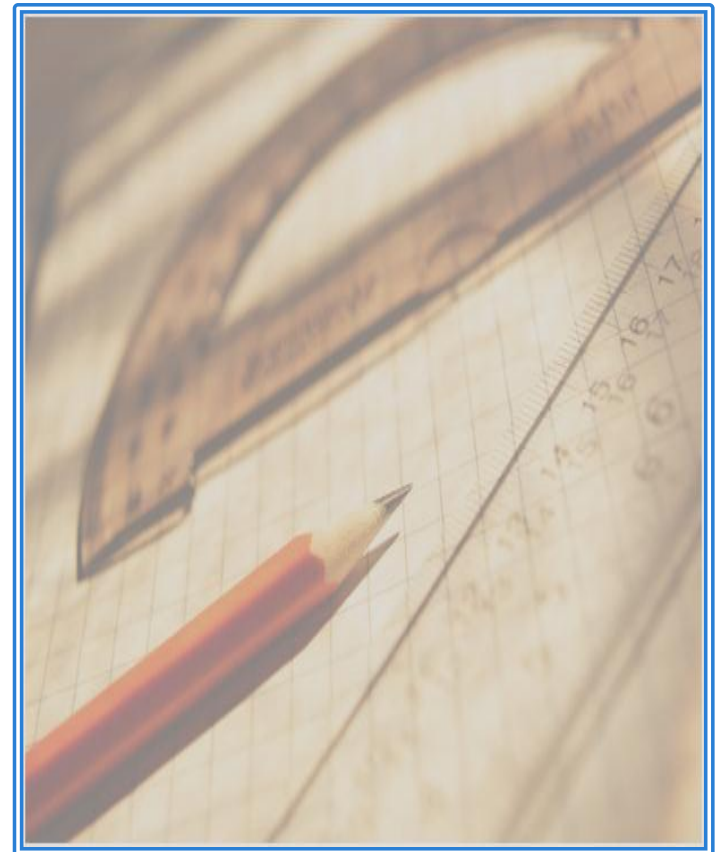
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Grading systems reform: English and Maths only



+ Exams

- Mostly linear / some coursework/CA
- BTECs 25% externally assessed
- Y10 end of year exams
- Y11 PPE1 – November 2016
- Y11 PPE2 – March 2017
- Public exams – May-June 2017



+ Options



Cerine Adsett 9AJ/A

18/06/2015

Year 9 Allocation of Options for 2014-2015

Dear Cerine

Since you told us your preferences we have been working hard to design the timetable blocks for next year to ensure that as many as possible can study their chosen courses.

Unfortunately it is impossible to match all of the first four preferences for all students, so some will have been allocated a reserve preference. This is most likely to have happened where your particular combination of choices was unusual or unique within the year group.

Please look closely at the courses which you have been allocated below and share your course allocations with your parents/carers. If you have any questions or concerns contact your tutor within the next couple of days.

As we said in assembly earlier this week, this is both an exciting and challenging time. We wish you an enjoyable last couple of weeks of term, including a wonderful enrichment week and look forward to guiding you through the start of your new courses in September.

Allocated Courses:

1. French
2. Textiles technology
3. Drama
4. BTEC Travel & Tourism

Yours sincerely

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- Letters distributed 3rd July
- Option subjects
- Science pathway
- Queries to school base by 10th July
- New term concerns 28th September

+ Further information



- Website
 - ✓ Course details
 - ✓ Resources (textbooks, revision guides, websites)
 - ✓ Exam board information by subject/course
 - ✓ Exam policies and procedures (including access arrangements)
 - ✓ Key dates for assessment deadline, exams.
- Parent portal
- Teaching staff
- School bases



Year 10 Key Dates 2014-2015



Dear students and parents,

We hope that you will find these dates useful to help guide you through your year and to plan revision, coursework and deadlines. If you have any specific questions about any of these events please do not hesitate to contact your subject teacher in the first instance or the Head of Department. Contact details can be found on the school website.

We wish you the best of luck this year.

Date: October	Event
23rd October	BTEC Business Unit 1 Task A(i) coursework submission
22nd October	Computing - Mock assessment - practical
w/b 20 October	History end of half-term assessment
w/b 20 October	GCSE PE half term assessment


Date: November	Event
7th November	BTEC Sport Assignment 1 deadline
28th November	BTEC Sport Assignment 2 deadline
w/c 17th November	H&SC Key Term Key Concept Assessment

Date: December	Event
18th December 14	BTEC Business - Unit 1 Task B) coursework submission
10th December 14	Computing - Mock assessment theory/practical
w/b 8th December	History end of unit test
w/b 15th December	GCSE PE half term assessment
12th December	BTEC Sport Assignment 3 deadline
w/c 15th December	H&SC Half Term assessment

Date: January	Event
17th January 15	CIDA online Web page design exam
w/c 12 Jan 2015	GCSE Drama Y10. Controlled assessment evaluation of a live performance (computers required)
w/c 19 Jan 2015	GCSE Drama Y10. Controlled assessment evaluation of a live performance (computers required)
w/b 19 Jan 2015	GCSE History Year 10 Controlled Assessment window
	BTEC Sport Assignment 3 deadline

Date: February	Event
26th February	BTEC Business Unit 1 Task C Coursework submission
14th February	Computing - Mock/Controlled assessment design

- Parent Portal Guide
- Attendance
- Vacancies
- Making the Grade: Years 9, 10 & 11 Information, Advice and Guidance
- Admissions
- Uniform
- Venue Hire
- FAQ
- Advice for parents and carers
- Wellbeing for students

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You can download Varndean Curriculum using the links below.

All files are in PDF format

- Year Seven Curriculum
- Year Eight Curriculum
- Year Nine Curriculum
- Year Ten Curriculum
- Year Eleven Curriculum

Explanation of KS2-4 Levels of Progress & Target Grades

At Varndean School we have high aspirations for our students and set aspirational targets for them. Please see the [explanation of the progress](#) that we and the government expect of a student from the beginning of Yr7 until the end of Yr11 and their examination results.

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Summer 2017

The only difference
between **fear** and
excitement is your
attitude about it.

