



## **King Henry VIII College**

### **Year 10 iGCSE Options Information**

#### **Compulsory Core**

##### **iGCSE Sciences**

All students will take three single science subjects with a view to enter them for 3 Science iGCSEs or 'Triple Award'. There will be flexibility here and 'Double' (2 iGCSEs) or 'Triple Award' Science examination decisions for students will be made via teacher-student-parent consultations in Year 11. Decisions will largely be based on ability, along with student choice and career path choices.

##### **iGCSE English**

Students will either study English First Language and English Literature (2 iGCSEs), or English Second Language iGCSE (1 iGCSE). English First language and English Literature will be run as a single, combined course and not as two separate courses, and will demand exceptional levels of English Language ability. However, a decision on which examination(s) a student will take will be made in Year 11 and will be based on their ability. It is the School's intention, however, to ensure that as many students as possible are ready to sit First Language English iGCSE regardless of which class they are in.

##### **iGCSE Mathematics**

All students will take iGCSE Mathematics. For those students who can demonstrate proven high ability in the subject, iGCSE Additional Mathematics may also be a further option.

## Options

### Optional iGCSE subjects

For the optional subjects, students choose 4 additional iGCSEs to complement the core curriculum from the option blocks shown on the Year 10 iGCSE Options Form. It is the School's policy that students select at least one humanity, one language, and one technical / creative subject. Students select one subject from each block A-C, and are then given the opportunity to select a second humanity or a second language, or a second technical / creative subject from Block D.

It is important that selection for optional subjects are made on strengths and interests. Please also note that all Year 10 and 11 students have one compulsory period of PSE and ICT incorporated into their weekly timetable.

### Malaysian Students - Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) Bahasa Melayu

By law, all Malaysian students must attend a Bahasa Melayu course up until the age of 16. Malaysian students must therefore select Bahasa Melayu as ONE language option. All Malaysian students will be automatically enrolled onto our 2-year SPM course, and can sit the SPM (BM component only) in the June SPM resit series of examinations in 2020, along with the iGCSE in BM if they have not already sat that examination at the end of Year 9 with us or elsewhere. For those Malaysian students whose first language is not Bahasa Melayu, they may instead take the 2-year iGCSE Foreign Language course in Years 10 and 11 and not follow the SPM route.

### King Henry VIII iGCSE Option Blocks

Choose ONE from each block			
Option Block A	Option Block B	Option Block C	Option Block D
Humanities	Languages	Technical&Creative	Fourth Option
<i>*You can't do Art&amp;Design, and Photography together. **You must choose a Bahasa Melayu option if Malaysian.</i>			
Geography	French	Art &Design	Geography
History	Spanish	Photography*	History
Religious Studies	BM SPM**	Music	French
Economics	BM Foreign**	Computer Science	Spanish
	Mandarin Foreign	PE	Music
	Mandarin First Language	Drama	Economics
			PE
			Art & Design*
			Additional Maths
			Drama