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19th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to invite you to our **Choices Evening on Wednesday, 26th April 2023 16:00** - **18:00**. This evening aims to give you the opportunity to see the broad range of subject areas and qualifications that are available to your child, in advance of them choosing their Options this year. During the evening, you will be able to see the different areas of the school, learn about some of our subjects, and meet our staff and the student leadership team. Please arrive at the school reception at any time during the evening where we will greet you and provide information.

Below, you will find information about the curriculum your child will be studying over the next three years at Kelvin Hall. We have designed our curriculum to offer students a broad and balanced range of subjects, to provide students with an outstanding set of academic qualifications, and to suit the strengths and needs of individual students.

	Number of Hours								
	English	Maths	Science	Languages / Travel	PE	PSHE	Choice 1 Hist./Geog.	Choice 2	Choice 3
Year 9	4	4	6	2	2	1	2	2	2
Year 10	5	4	6	2	1	1	2	2	2
Year 11	5	4	6	2	1	1	2	2	2

When students move into Year 9, they have the opportunity to choose preferences for **three** of their qualifications: Choices 1, 2, and 3. Wherever possible, we aim to provide students with their first preferences for these subjects, but this is not always possible.

All students study for qualifications in: English Language, English Literature, Mathematics, Combined Science or Separate Sciences, Statistics, either Geography or History; either Languages or Travel & Tourism. Most students will then study two other qualifications. The curriculum your child will follow is shown below.

Students will start the learning for these chosen qualifications in September 2023. There is a range of qualifications to choose from, including GCSEs and vocational qualifications. Each of these subjects will be assessed slightly differently, and you may want to consider what type of assessments and study students will be best suited to.

Choice 2 & 3 Available Subjects				
GCSEs	Vocational Subjects			
Art, Craft & Design	Dance (BTEC)			
Fine Art	Music (BTEC)			
Photography	Creative iMedia (CNAT)			
Drama	Enterprise & Marketing (CNAT)			
Music	Child Development & Care (CNAT)			
Computer Science	Health & Social Care (CNAT)			
Food Preparation & Nutrition	Sport Studies (CNAT)			
Design & Technology				















Religious Studies	
Sociology	
History	

On our Choices website, you will find information to give you a flavour of each subject. Each page has an explanation of the subject, assessment information, and resources or links with further information.

https://sites.google.com/thrivetrust.uk/kelvin-choices-2023/home

Please take the time to review the information with your child and help them make decisions about their preferred choices. On the website, you will also find a list of staff you can contact via email about the Choices process and subjects available. This week, students will have completed a Focus Group lesson about making good choices to help them in making their decisions.

On Thursday, 27th April, we will share with you a Google Form for you to inform us of your child's preferences. Until then, please take a good look at the subjects on offer and we look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, 26th April.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Christopher Leng Head of School Kelvin Hall School













