

The De Montfort School

Year 8 Options Evening 2020

Thursday 23rd January 2020, 7-8.30pm in the Main Hall

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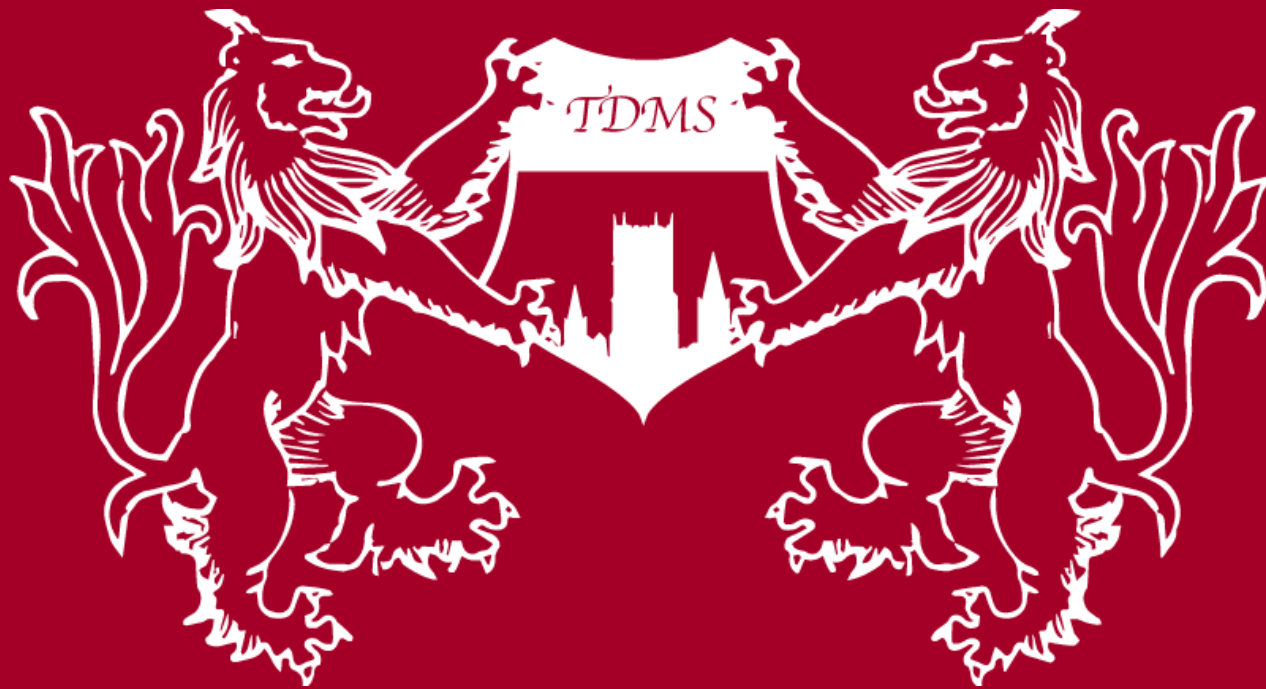
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TDMS Year 8 Options

- At TDMS, students pick options in Year 8
 - More time for fieldwork, practicals etc...
 - Provides greater motivation
 - Increased take up of expressive subjects
 - Massive improvement in results
 - Stronger foundation for A-level
- You choose 4 subjects:
 - Year 9 is a foundation GCSE year
 - Exams are taken at the end of Year 11
- We have a very wide range of subjects, which was commended by Ofsted

The Core subjects

SUBJECT	FREQUENCY
English (Language & Literature)	5 lessons per week (6 lessons in Y11)
Mathematics	4 lessons per week
Science	6 lessons per week
PE	2 lessons per week
PSHE	1 lesson per week

24 Options subjects

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History GCSE	Art and Design GCSE
Geography GCSE	Geography GCSE
Spanish GCSE	Spanish GCSE
Computer Science GCSE	Psychology GCSE
Triple Science GCSE	Business Studies GCSE
Music GCSE	Hair and Beauty VTCE
Sport BTEC	Engineering BTEC
Health and Social Care BTEC	Digital Media CAMNAT
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Drama GCSE	Dance GCSE
Media Studies GCSE	Computer Science GCSE
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Physical Education GCSE	Design & Technology GCSE
Food and Nutrition GCSE	Philosophy and Ethics GCSE
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- Choose 4 subjects
- One subject from each block

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Expressive Arts
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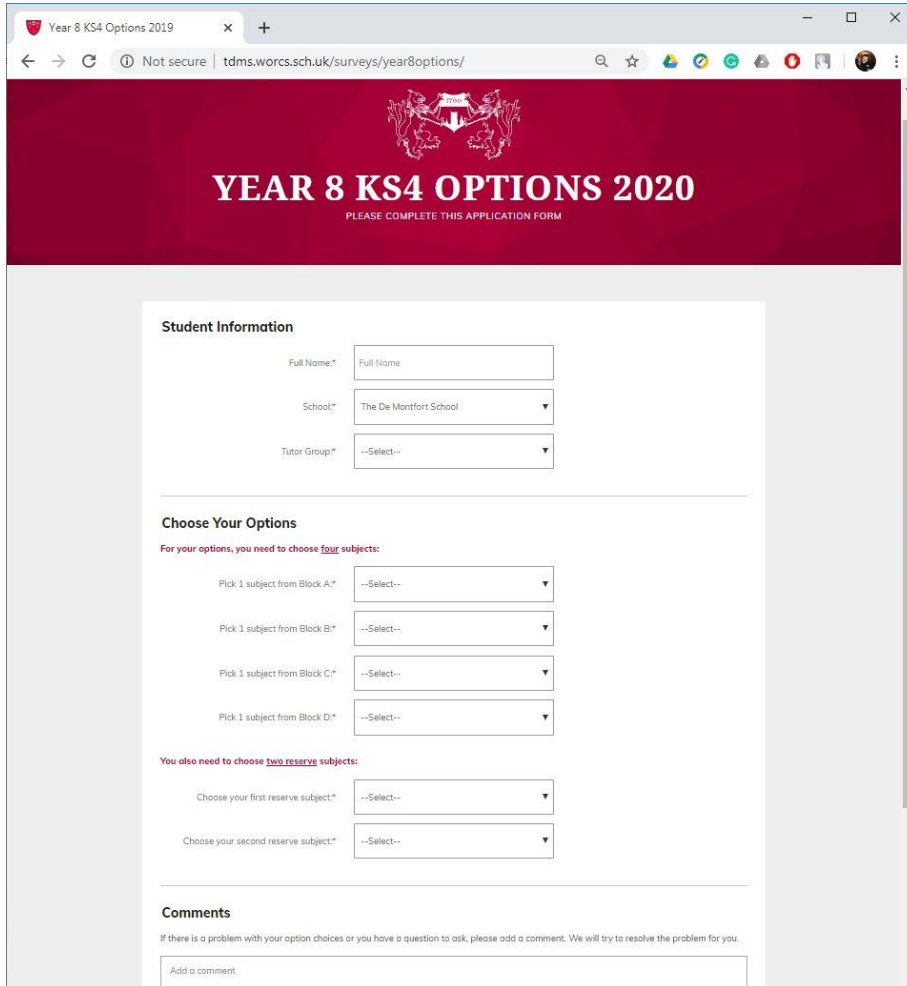
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- an inclusive curriculum that supports the needs of all students...

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Making your choices



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL tdms.worcs.sch.uk/surveys/year8options/. The page has a dark red header with the school crest and the text "YEAR 8 KS4 OPTIONS 2020" and "PLEASE COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION FORM".

Student Information

Full Name*

School*

Tutor Group*

Choose Your Options

For your options, you need to choose **four** subjects:

Pick 1 subject from Block A*

Pick 1 subject from Block B*

Pick 1 subject from Block C*

Pick 1 subject from Block D*

You also need to choose **two reserve** subjects:

Choose your first reserve subject*

Choose your second reserve subject*

Comments

If there is a problem with your option choices or you have a question to ask, please add a comment. We will try to resolve the problem for you.

Add a comment

- Online application form
- Make 4 choices
- Make 2 reserve choices
- Add any comments into the free text box
- Other schools – please use the comment box to leave contact information
- Submit your application by 14/02/2020
- Available on our website and social media outlets **NOW**



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Curriculum

Read our newly published KS4 and Sixth Form Options booklets

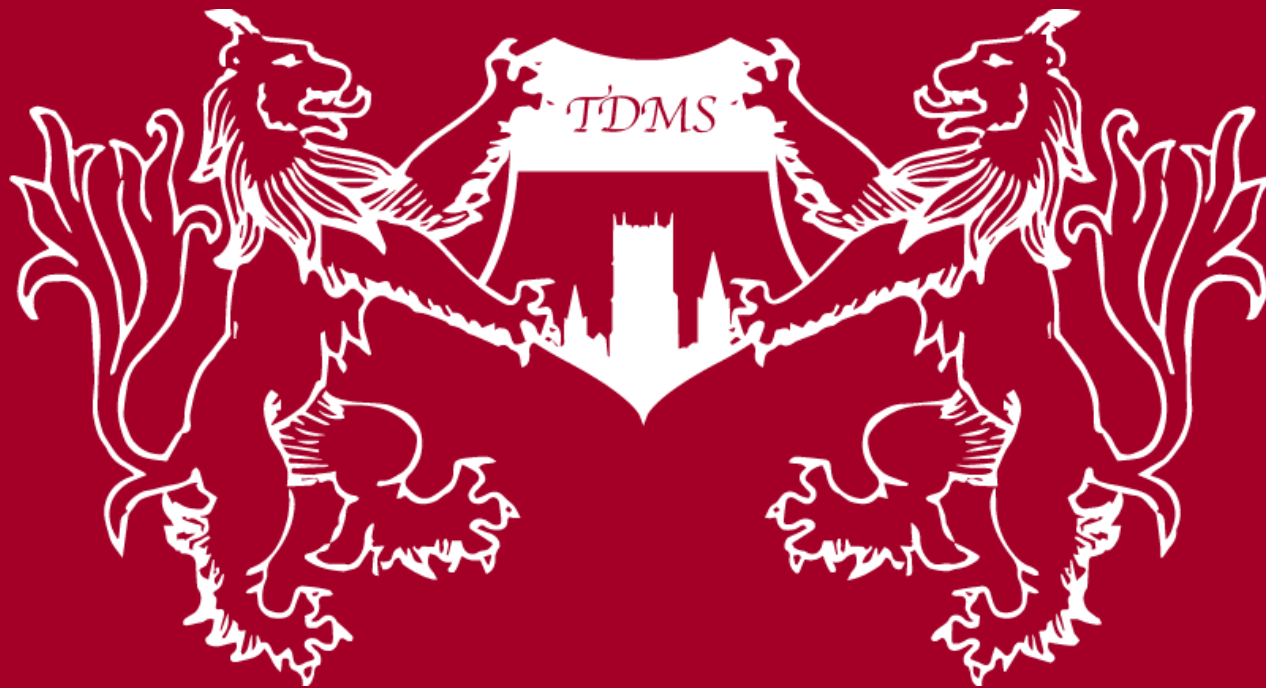
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Mr Nichols, Headteacher, and
Mr Clifford, Parent & Governor

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The TDMS Curriculum

Ofsted Inspectors spoke extremely positively about the quality of our curriculum provision:

- *“There is an ambitious range of subjects and a wide ranging curriculum, which is reviewed regularly. There is lots of guidance and take up across a range of subjects is strong. Each pupil meets the Head and receives guidance. There are a full range of needs and courses to meet those needs.”*
- Inspectors fully acknowledged how positive pupils and parents are about the curriculum model, they also noted the appropriateness and popularity of the courses and the broad range of alternatives available to pupils such as engineering
- Inspectors also commended our intentions and said, *“The school runs subjects that don’t count in the figures which shows commitment to inclusion.”*

Being a student at TDMS

- “The school is committed to inclusion and there is high quality pastoral support.”
- *“They go to great lengths to work with the pupils and they take on children who have failed elsewhere.”*
- “There is no racism or prejudicial behaviour. This area is very positive indeed.”
- *“Bullying is dealt with quickly and effectively.”*
- “Staff have a genuine knowledge of the pupils and their aspirations. Staff know the students well. You can go to the staff for anything. Pupils feel confident as the staff are very approachable.”



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TDMS GCSE outcomes

- 2017
 - -0.51 well below average
- 2018
 - -0.26 below average progress
- 2019
 - +0.30 above average progress
 - 6th highest score in Worcs
 - 2nd biggest climb in Worcs (+0.56)
- 2020
 - ??? on course to exceed 2019

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- A foundation for the next steps
 - Sixth Form and College



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 - Universities and apprenticeships



Apprenticeships



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Thank you for listening: now
talk to the real **experts** – our
incredible Staff Team

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