

# St Benedict's Catholic College



## Pathways Overview



Below is an overview of the Year 8 Pathways process. We encourage students, parents and carers to fully engage with all the resources provided by the college as part of the Pathways selection process. Students should reflect on their subject preferences, the potential careers their favourite subjects could lead them to and finally make an initial Pathways selection.

### 24th February

Year 8 Pathways pre-recorded event launch. Parents/carers and students are strongly encouraged to thoroughly explore the resources published on the Pathways page

### 26th February

Year 8 Pathways PSHE lesson designed to help students make informed choices for their GCSE subjects, taking into account a variety of factors

### 27th February

-Year 8 Parents evening – a fantastic opportunity to discuss with your teachers which subjects are suitable for your GCSE Pathway.  
-Year 8 Pathways assembly – all Heads of Subject will showcase the advantages of choosing their subject for GCSE.

### 28th February

-Designated days during form time to watch the talks from each subject leader about how their subject will develop over the next three years  
-Taster lessons that provide more information about each subject and will help students understand what they can expect from a GCSE lesson in those subjects

### 3rd March - 14th March

Students will be emailed a link to an online form used to select the initial pathway. Students are not required to make a decision straight away. We do not allocate GCSE subjects on a first come first served basis. Students must submit their initial pathway choices by 14th March

### Summer term

Classes and Pathways blocks are reviewed to ensure all students requests are being considered. Students allocated to Pathway subjects using reserve subjects if necessary

### Year 9 blended year

Students have three opportunities to change Pathways subjects depending on availability:

- October 1/2 term
- December end of term
- February 1/2 term

**FOR MORE DETAILS, PLEASE EMAIL**

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