

# Options Evening

*Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024*

# What is our mission at Dixon Fazakerley?

The academy ensured all students succeeded at university, or a real alternative, thrived in a rewarding career and had a purposeful and happy life.

# The reality is...

For lots of secondary school students, making GCSE options choices is the first “adult” decision they have to make. For some students, the decision can be overwhelming.

# What are “options”?

- The term “options” refers to Year 9 students choosing the subjects/qualifications that they will go on to study in Years 10 and 11.
- The subjects will be studied for 2 years and will finish at the end of Year 11.
- The subjects on offer are “high currency” qualifications and some vocational qualification.

# The Core Curriculum

GCSE English Language

GCSE English Literature

GCSE Mathematics

GCSE Combined Science

GCSE History/Geography

GCSE French/Spanish

GCSE RE

# Reasons to choose a subject...

- You enjoy the subject.
- You find it interesting.
- You want to be successful in it.
- You have some skill in the subject.
- You are motivated to be successful in the subject.
- It is the right level of qualification for you and/or the right learning style.
- It might be something you want to study in Sixth Form.
- It relates to a career you are interested in.
- It will prepare you well for studying the subject in the future.

# Options Subjects...

- GCSE Art and Design
- BTEC Enterprise
- GCSE Design Technology
- WJEC Hospitality and Catering
- GCSE Sociology
- BTEC Dance
- GCSE PE
- BTEC Performing Arts
- BTEC Diploma in Digital Applications

# How the process works...

- You will choose four subjects in total.
- You will choose one subject from four option blocks.
- You will choose one reserve subject from options block three/four.



# Option Block 1

GCSE History

GCSE Geography

# Option Block 2

GCSE French

GCSE Spanish

# Option Block 3

- GCSE Art and Design
- BTEC Enterprise
- GCSE Design Technology
- WJEC Hospitality and Catering
- GCSE Sociology
- BTEC Dance
- GCSE PE
- BTEC Performing Arts
- BTEC Diploma in Digital Applications

# Option Block 4

- GCSE Art and Design
- BTEC Enterprise
- GCSE Design Technology
- WJEC Hospitality and Catering
- GCSE Sociology
- BTEC Dance
- GCSE PE
- BTEC Performing Arts
- BTEC Diploma in Digital Applications

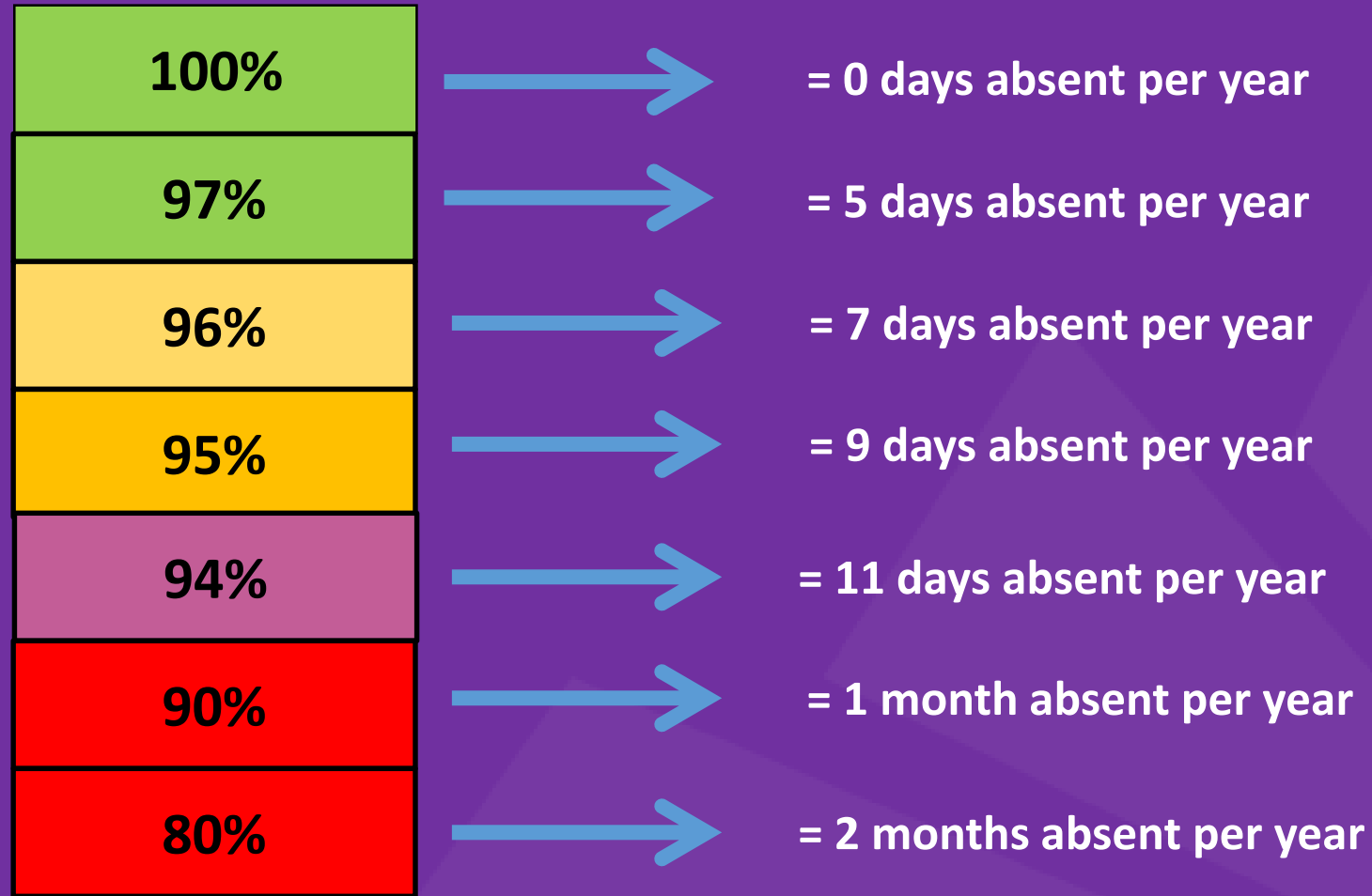
# Option Block *(Reserve Subject)*

- GCSE Art and Design
- BTEC Enterprise
- GCSE Design Technology
- WJEC Hospitality and Catering
- GCSE Sociology
- BTEC Dance
- GCSE PE
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# What support will my child have?

- Morning Meeting Presentation.
- Supportive phone calls.

# Attendance Ladder



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# What happens next?

- There will be a link to an electronic options form.
- The Academy website will host subject videos presented by teachers discussing their subject.
- Deadline: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February
- Options decisions shared: W/C Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February
- Key contact: Miss Sandland: [esandland@dixonsfa.com](mailto:esandland@dixonsfa.com)



# For more information on courses go to:

Location	Subjects
Room 7	Maths
Room 9	History / Geography / Sociology / RE
Room 11	French / Spanish
Room 13	PE
Room 15	Performing Arts / Dance/Art and Design/Design & Technology/ Hospitality & Catering
Room 19	Digital IT / Enterprise
Room 21	English
Room 23	Science
Dining Room	Careers

