



ST IVO SCHOOL

Entry Requirements for Sixth Form

For entry September 2018

Key principles for entry to St Ivo Sixth Form

1. All St Ivo students will have the opportunity to study Post-16 courses here at the school provided that appropriate courses are available, they satisfy the entry requirements and students have demonstrated a good attitude to learning, including good attendance, punctuality and behaviour during their time at the school. The school will use recorded student data as evidence of a student's attitude to learning. (Information of this kind will be sought about external students wishing to join St Ivo.) The school reserves the right to refuse entry to the Sixth Form to a student who has not demonstrated a consistently good attitude to their learning pre-16.
2. The school welcomes applications from new students who satisfy the entry criteria.
3. The school will provide information and advice and will guide students towards appropriate courses.
4. The school decides whether a student follows a Sixth Form course. There is an appeals procedure in response to a student not being offered a place; its decision will be final.
5. As a comprehensive school, St Ivo School will offer a broad range of A Level and vocational courses post-16, in addition to a range of Level 2 courses that prepare students for Level 3, to meet the needs of as many learners as possible.
6. In the event of insufficient student uptake or staffing, it may not be possible to run a course.
7. The majority of students will study 3 A Levels. Some students will complement this with the AS EPQ (1 year course) or A Level Further Maths (2 year course).

GCSE English and Maths

As you may know, under current government requirements and with the new grading system, all students in the Sixth Form must continue to study English Language and mathematics until they achieve at grade 4.

Students studying Level 3 courses:

- Should achieve at least a grade 4 in English Language or Literature before beginning Level 3 courses
- Must retake GCSE English Languages and/or GCSE Maths if they haven't achieved at least a grade 4 in either subject. Some students may be required to change their subject choices to fit around the retake classes. This will be done after final GCSE results are known.

Students studying Level 2 courses:

- Must retake GCSE English Language and/or Maths, if they haven't achieved at least a grade 4 in either subject.

Subject Specific Entry Requirements

In addition to the entry pathways on the following pages, students wishing to study the courses listed below should satisfy the additional individual subject entry requirements.

Biology – at least

- Grade 6/6 in GCSE Combined Science and grade 6 GCSE Maths
- Or two grade 6s including Biology in Triple Science and grade 6 GCSE Maths

Chemistry – at least

- Grade 6/6 in GCSE Combined Science and grade 6 GCSE Maths
- Or two grade 6s including Chemistry in Triple Science and grade 6 GCSE Maths

Computer Science – at least

- If you studied GCSE Computer Science, grade 5
- A grade 5 GCSE Maths

Economics – at least

- If you studied GCSE Economics, grade 5
- A grade 5 GCSE Maths

Further Maths – at least grade 7 GCSE Maths

Health & Social Care – at least grade 5/5 in GCSE Combined Science and grade 4 in GCSE Maths

Maths – at least grade 6 GCSE Maths

PE – at least grade 5/5 in GCSE Combined Science, or any two grade 5s in Triple Science.

Photography – requires a portfolio to be presented to the Head of Department prior to commencement of the course.

Physics – at least

- Grade 6/6 in GCSE Combined Science and grade 6 GCSE Maths
- Or two grade 6s including Physics in Triple Science and grade 6 GCSE Maths

Psychology - at least grade 5/5 in GCSE Combined Science and grade 5 in GCSE Maths

For all other A Level/Level 3 subjects, see the prospectus.

St Ivo Entry Pathways

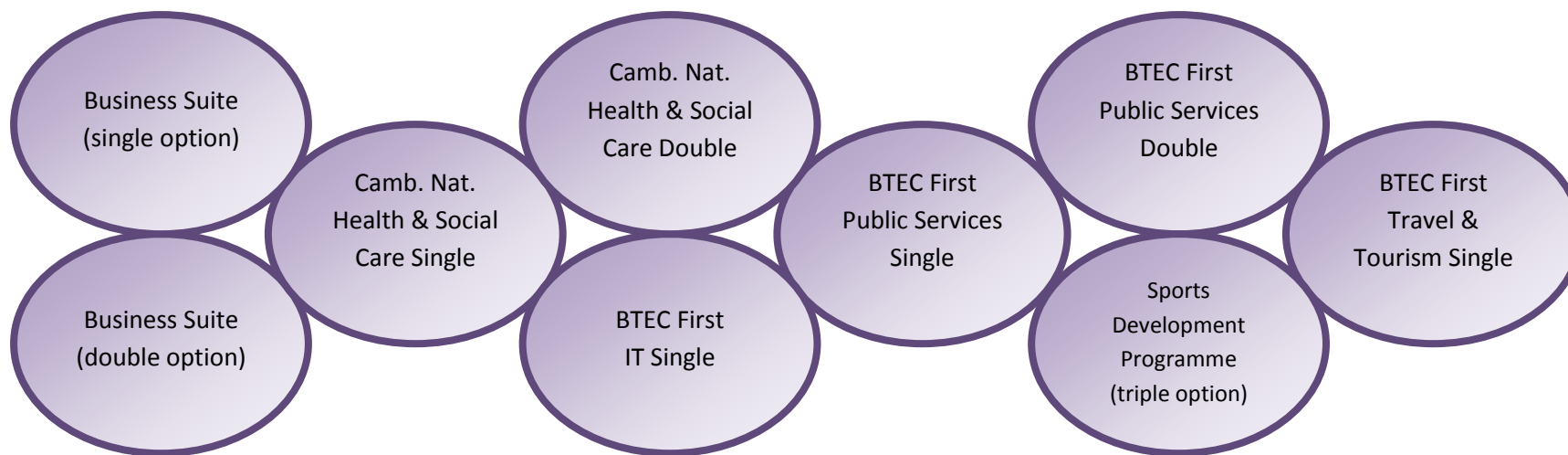
The Pathways:

- Reflect the sorts of courses most suitable for students with particular point scores (based on school and national data)
- Students should also satisfy the entry requirements for individual subjects, as listed on the previous page
- When making choices for Sixth Form, students should calculate their likely average points score, as explained below, based on their predicted grades.
- Once final grades are known, students may be required to change their choices according to which pathway they can access, and any subject specific entry requirements. Any changes will be limited by spaces available on courses and combinations of courses fitting the timetable. This process will be finalised during the first two days of term in September 2018.

Average Points Score

Use the table below to convert your **best 8** grades to points, then divide by 8 to find your average. Please note that for entry to St Ivo Sixth Form you should calculate your points score using this method, which is different to Progress 8 and Attainment 8.

GCSE grade 9	90 points
GCSE A* or Level 2 Distinction*	85 points
GCSE grade 8	80 points
GCSE grade 7, grade A or Level 2 Distinction	70 points
GCSE grade 6, grade B or Level 2 Merit	60 points
GCSE grade 5	50 points
GCSE grade 4, grade C or Level 2 Pass	40 points
GCSE grade 3, grade D or Level 1 Distinction	30 points
GCSE grade 2, grade E, grade F, Level 1 Merit or Level 1 Pass	20 points
GCSE grade 1 or grade G	10 points



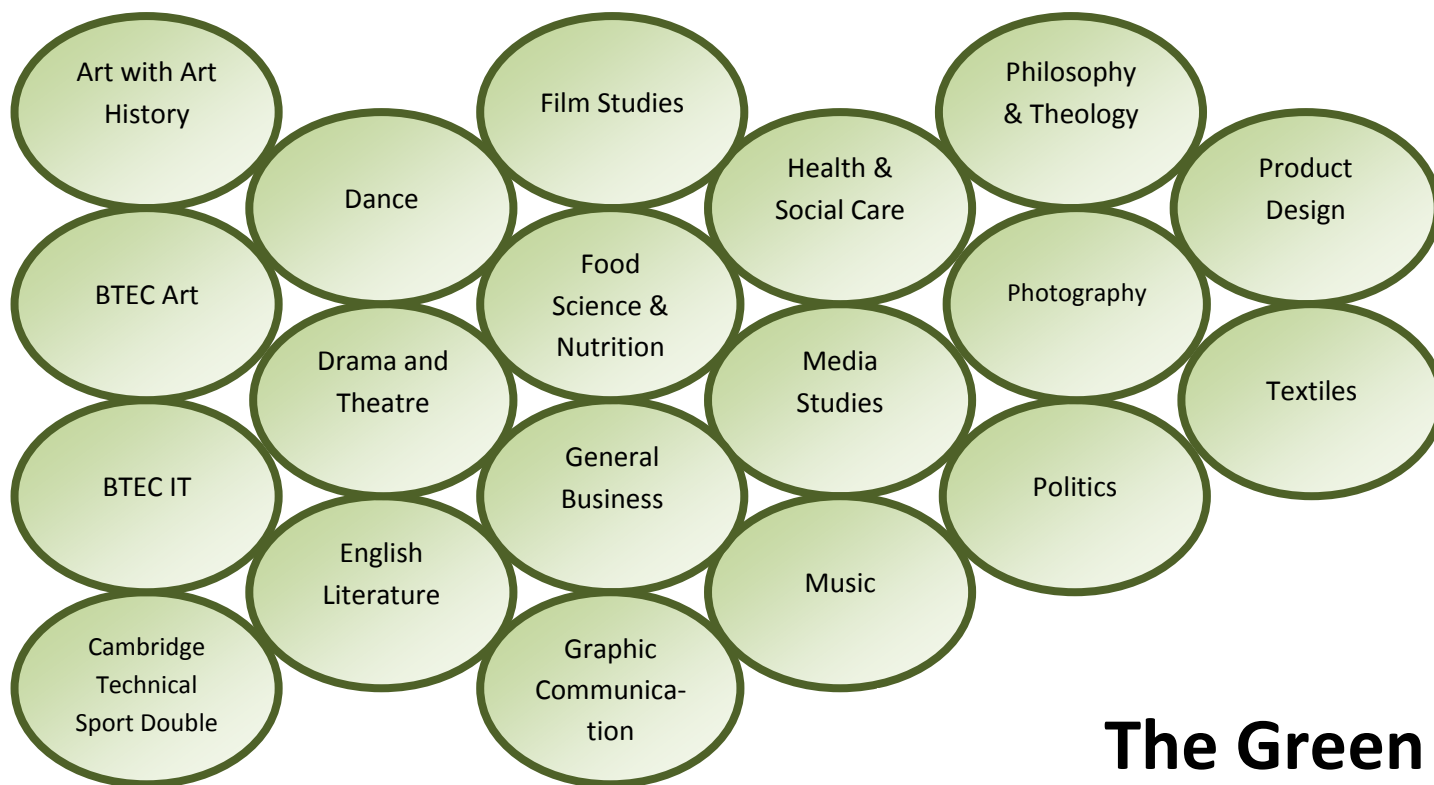
The Purple Route – Level 2 (1 Year Bridging Year)

25+ points

Any three **purple** subjects,
plus GCSE English and Maths retakes as required

A double subject counts as two subjects

A triple subject counts as three subjects



The Green Route

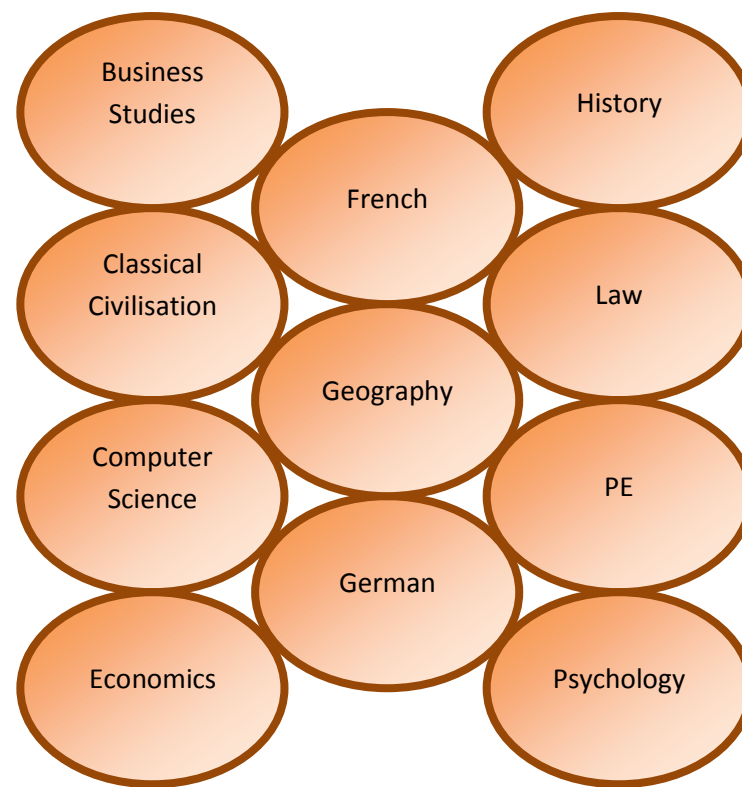
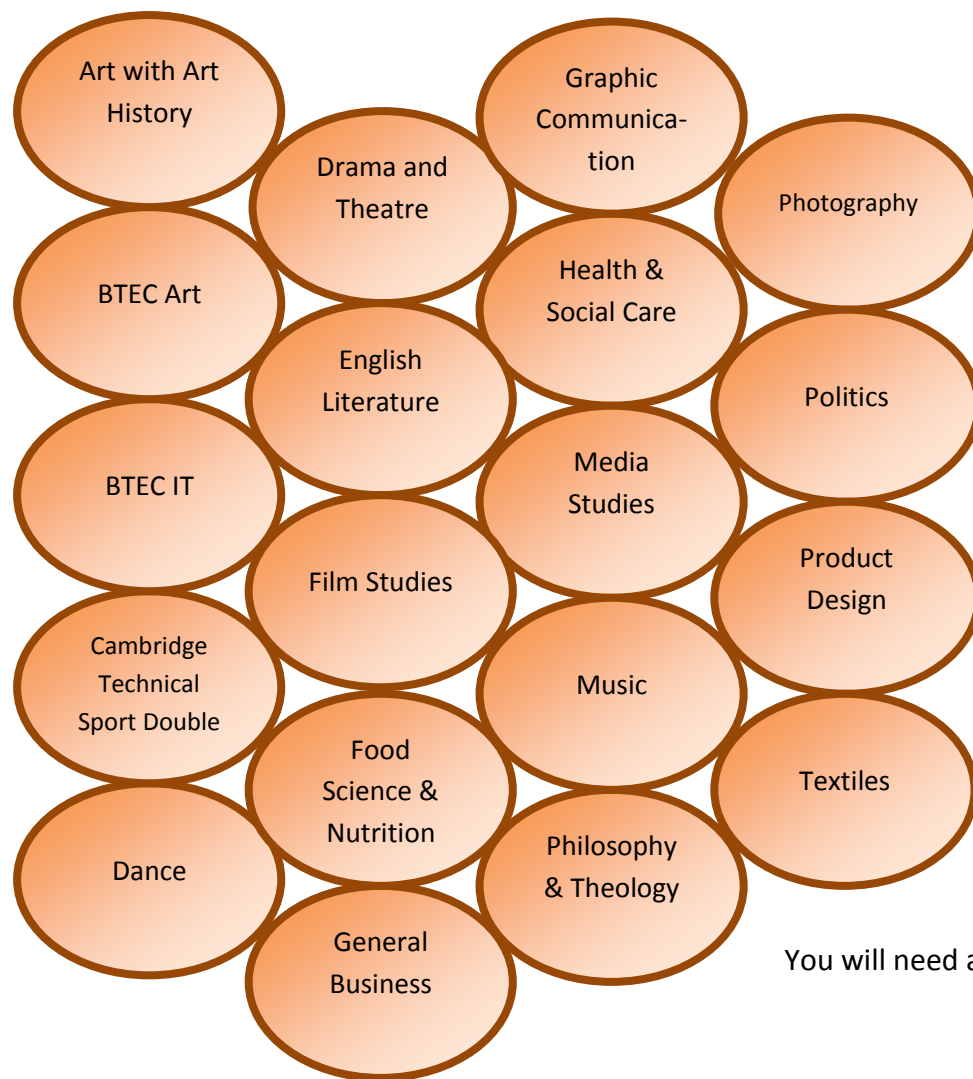
43+ points

You will need at least a grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature) in addition to any subject specific criteria (see prospectus)

Any 3 **green** subjects

A double subject counts as two subjects

Resit GCSE English Language and/or GCSE Maths if you have not achieved at least grade 4



The Orange Route

50+ points

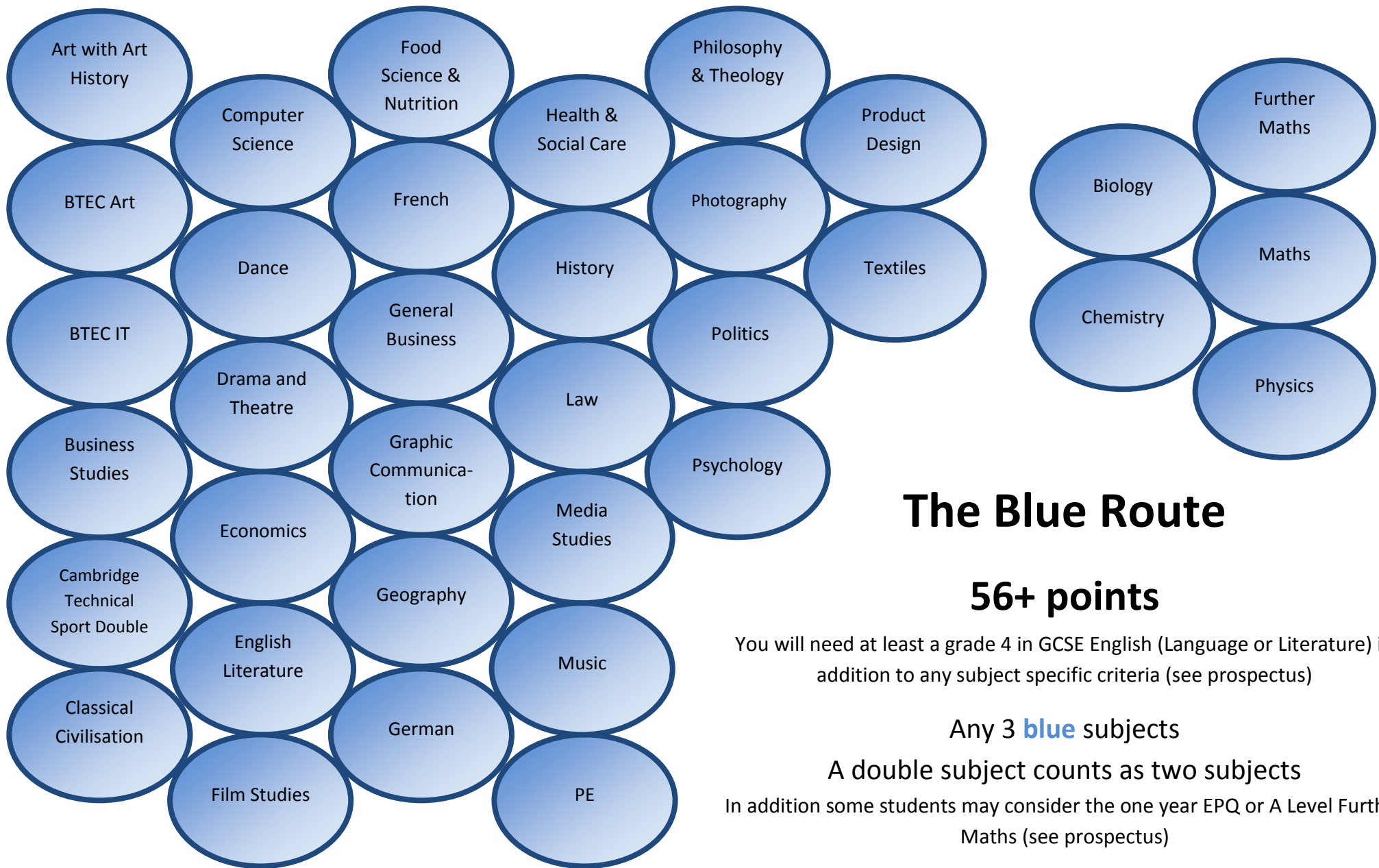
You will need at least a grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature) in addition to any subject specific criteria (see prospectus)

Any 3 **orange** subjects

A double subject counts as two subjects

In addition some students may consider the one year EPQ (see prospectus)

Resit GCSE English Language and/or GCSE Maths if you have not achieved at least grade 4



The Blue Route

56+ points

You will need at least a grade 4 in GCSE English (Language or Literature) in addition to any subject specific criteria (see prospectus)

Any 3 **blue** subjects

A double subject counts as two subjects

In addition some students may consider the one year EPQ or A Level Further Maths (see prospectus)

Resit GCSE English Language and/or GCSE Maths if you have not achieved at least grade 4