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Guided Choices

2026-2028

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Post 16 Options

- Childwall Sixth Form – Level 2 options as well as bespoke pathways
- Further Education Colleges
- Apprenticeships
- Traineeships
- Sixth Form Colleges
- Students must stay in education or training until the age of 18



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Some of the most in-demand jobs today did not exist 10 years ago

- Driverless car engineer
- Chatgpt developer
- Prompt engineer
- Drone pilot
- Tiktok marketer
- Crypto advisor
- Zoom manager
- Data Scientist
- AI Architect
- E-sport Athlete
- Cloud architect
- Blockchain analyst





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We are currently preparing students for jobs that don't yet exist..... Using technologies that haven't yet been invented.....in order to solve problems we don't even know are problems yet.



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Today's learners will have had 10-14 jobs by the age of 38..... 1 in 4 people have been in their current role less than a year..... 1 in 2 people have been in their current role for less than 5 years.



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Pathways

- Personalised pathways through KS4
- A wide range of 'guided choices' for all pathways
- A chance to develop strengths and talents
- Preparation for further education and training
- An opportunity to build on areas of interest





Compulsory subjects

- English Literature and Language
- Mathematics
- Science (Triology)
- Core PE
- Core RE/PSHE





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Example form

Compulsory subjects

English Literature	English Language	Science (2 GCSEs)	Maths
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Choose **up to** 2 subjects from the box below

GCSE Art	✓
GCSE Design and Technology	
GCSE Drama	
GCSE Sociology	
BTEC Business Studies/Enterprise	
Level 1/2 Construction	
BTEC Digital IT	
BTEC Health and Social Care	
Level 1/2 Hospitality and Catering	
BTEC Music	✓
OCR National Sport Studies	

Choose **at least** 1 subject from the box below

GCSE History	
GCSE Geography	✓
GCSE Computer Science	
GCSE Triple Science	

Reserve choices:

1st Sports Studies
2nd History





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Why not to choose a subject...

- 1. Your friends are doing it**
2. You think you should do it – even if you don't want to
3. Your parents think it's a good idea – but you don't
4. You know someone who's done it and they say it's great
5. It's thought of as a "cool" subject by most people
6. You can't think of anything else to choose
7. You think it will be easy
8. It sounds good even though you haven't found out about it
- 9. You really like the teacher who teaches it**
10. You think it will impress people now or later on





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Why to choose a subject...

1. You like it or find it interesting
2. You're good at it
3. You need it or it's useful for your future career
4. You can develop new skills by doing it
5. You think you will do well in it
6. You will like it/enjoying it at moment
7. Your teachers think it is a suitable choice for you
8. It will combine well with other subjects
9. You like the method of assessment and teaching
10. It's a subject you would like to pursue





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Possible restrictions

- Courses may be determined by timetabling requirements across the school, and some options may clash, so reserve choices are important
- Courses with low numbers will not run
- Courses will be 'guided' as school knows you best when it comes to education
- No guarantee of first choices. We will look at each case individually, but the final decision is made by school.





Who can help?

- Your form tutor
- Your subject teachers
- Your parents and family
- Miss Evans - Head of Year 9
- Mr Corrigan – Head of KS3
- Mrs Koermer – Careers Manager
- Miss Browne – Head of Sixth Form
- Miss Wilde – Deputy Headteacher





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Where to get more help

- www.ucas.com

If you think you want to go to University, then check what subjects they are asking for to study a degree you are interested in (and at what grades they will want)

- www.university.which.co.uk/advice

Lots of general advice about Universities, courses and grades

- www.apprenticeships.gov.uk

A vast list of apprenticeship opportunities and qualification requirements





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What next?

- Read all the information you get tonight and, on the website.
- Speak to all your current subject teachers and any teachers of new subjects you may be interested in, and ask lots of questions
- Email staff directly, or, for general enquiries guidedchoices@childwallssa.org
- All guided choices to be returned by **Friday 27th February 2026** to form tutors.



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Your tomorrow, starts today!



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