



Year 9 GCSE Options



2025



Deadline

Monday 24th February 2024

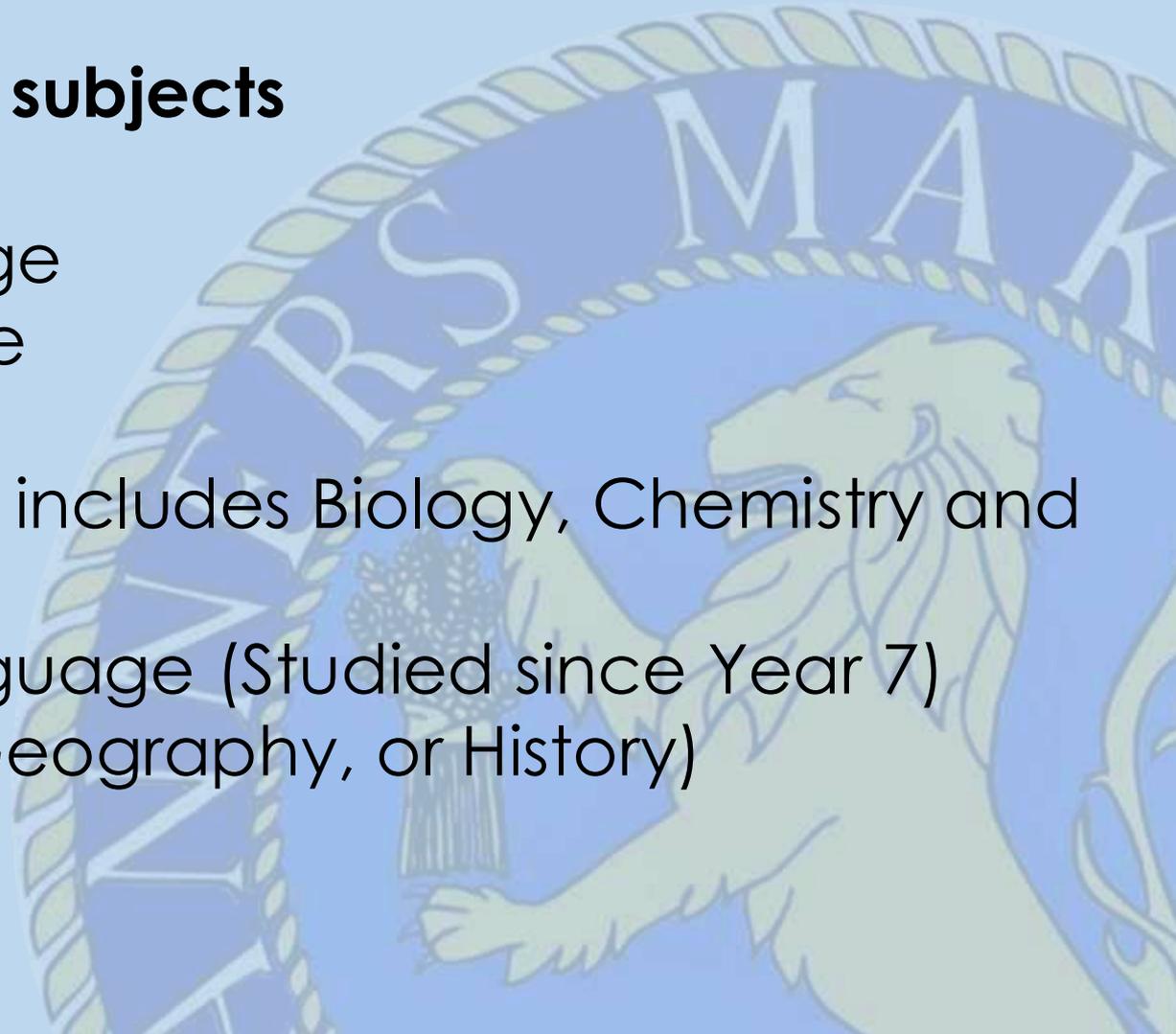
Options choices will be made online via
Microsoft forms





Compulsory GCSE subjects

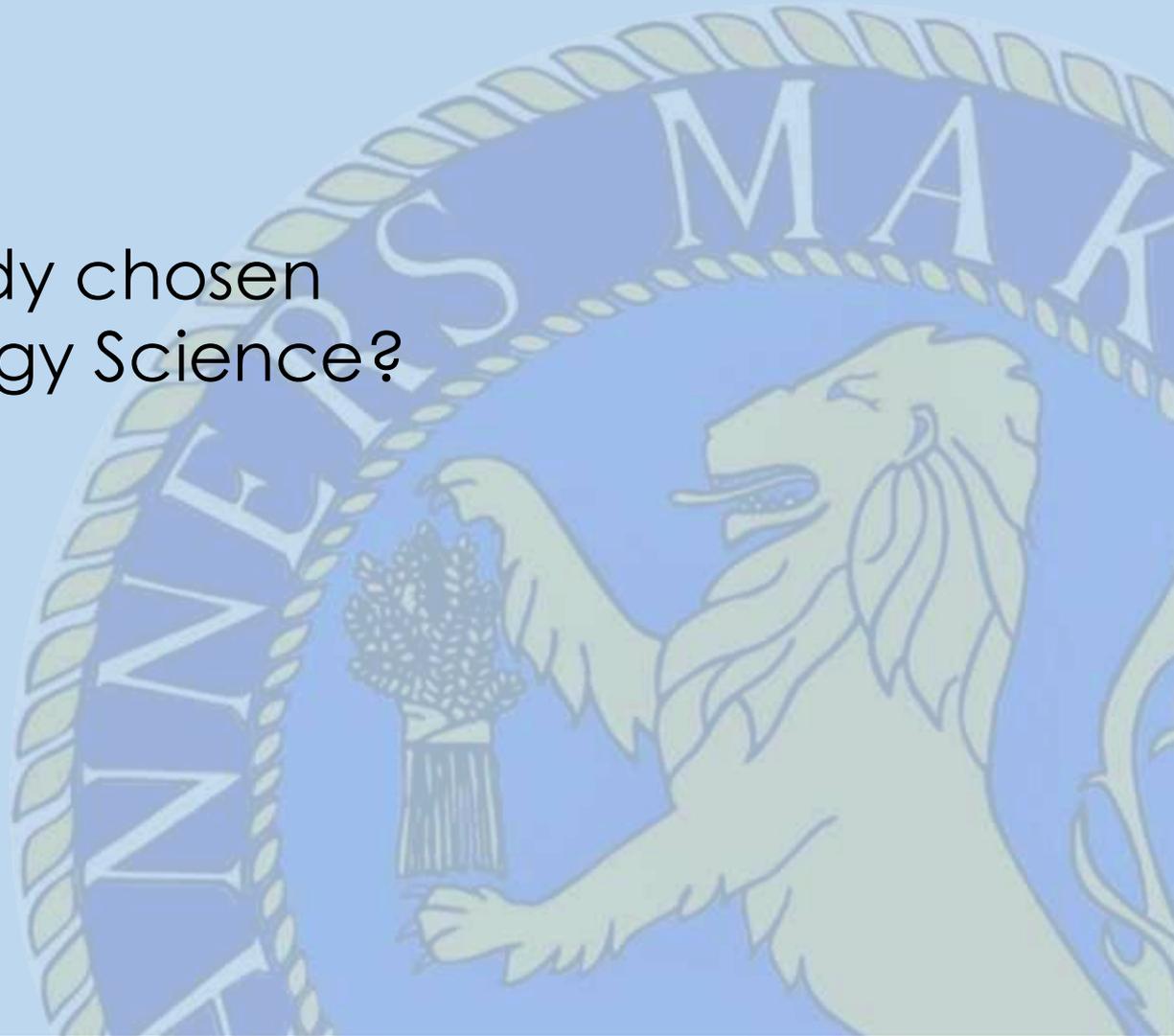
- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- 2 x Science (Still includes Biology, Chemistry and Physics)
- 1 x Modern language (Studied since Year 7)
- 1 x Humanity (Geography, or History)
- RE





Optional subjects

- Humanity already chosen
- Separate or trilogy Science?





Choosing your Science:

Separate	Trilogy
Biology, Chemistry and Physics	Biology, Chemistry and Physics
3 x Specialist teachers	3 x Specialist teachers
3 x GCSE grades	2 x GCSE Grades
14 lessons per fortnight	9 lessons per fortnight
1 more subject choice	2 more subject choices
Do you enjoy the subject? Do you want to pursue Sciences Post 16?	Do you want a greater breadth of study at GCSE?



Final option(s) choices

Block A	Block B
Art, Craft and Design	Business Studies
Business Studies	Computer Science
Computer Science	D&T
Food Preparation and nutrition	Drama
Geography	Food preparation and nutrition
History	Geography
Music	History
PE	Separate Sciences
Separate Sciences	
Textiles	

Pick one from Block A

This cannot be the humanity already chosen

Pick one from Block B

This cannot be the humanity or Block A option repeated

Pick one reserve from Block A or B

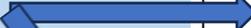
This cannot be the same as any option choice already made



But I want to do 2 subject from the same block!?

If this is the case please tell us

If demand is sufficient we will see if moving subjects into different blocks is possible.

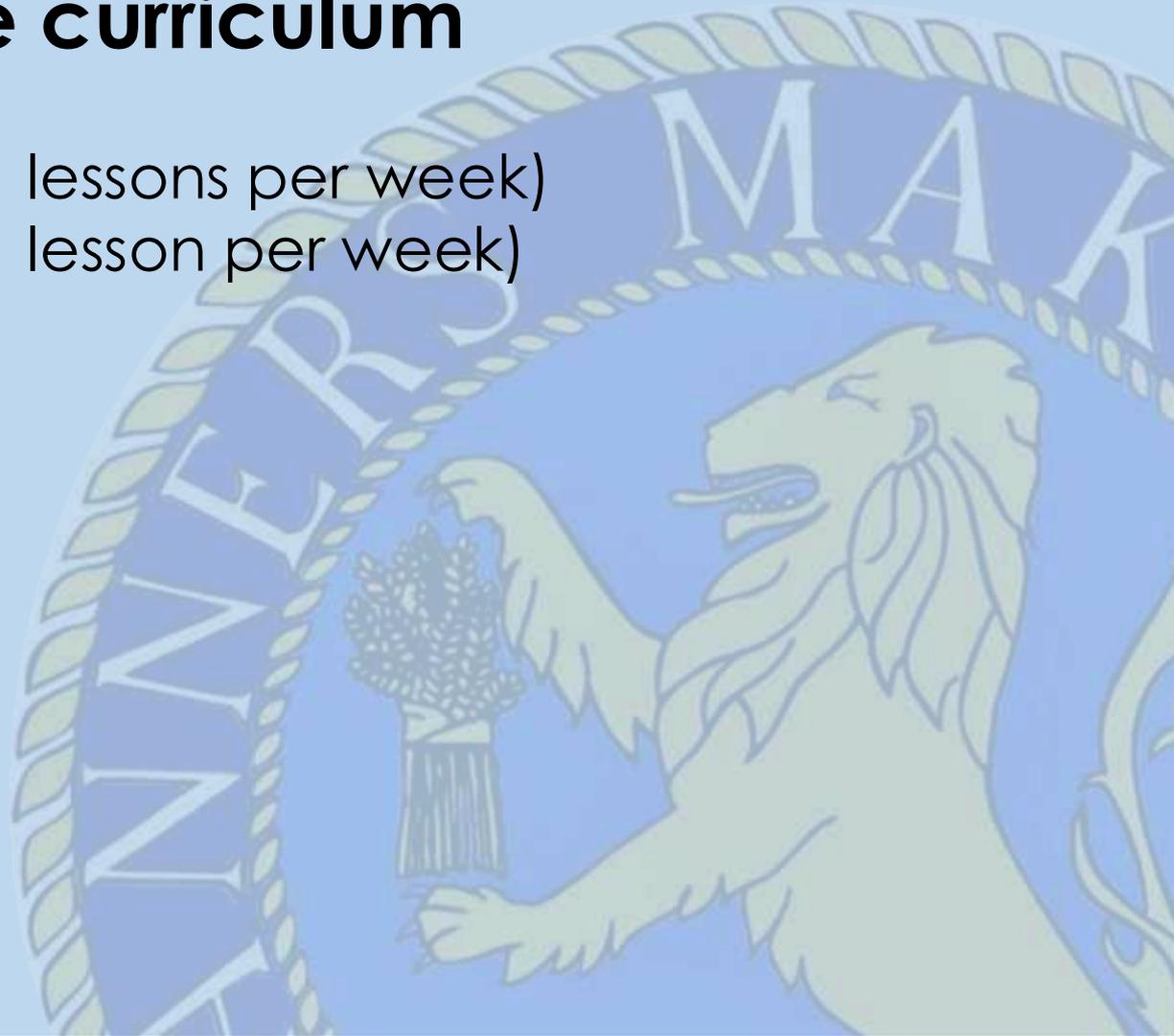


Block A	Block B
Art, Craft and Design	Business Studies
Business Studies	Computer Science
Computer Science	D&T
Food Preparation and nutrition	Drama
Geography	Food preparation and nutrition
History	Geography
Music	History
PE	Separate Sciences
Separate Sciences	
Textiles	



Completing the curriculum

General PE	(1 lessons per week)
PSE	(1 lesson per week)





Amy Marshall (Careers Adviser & Co-ordinator)

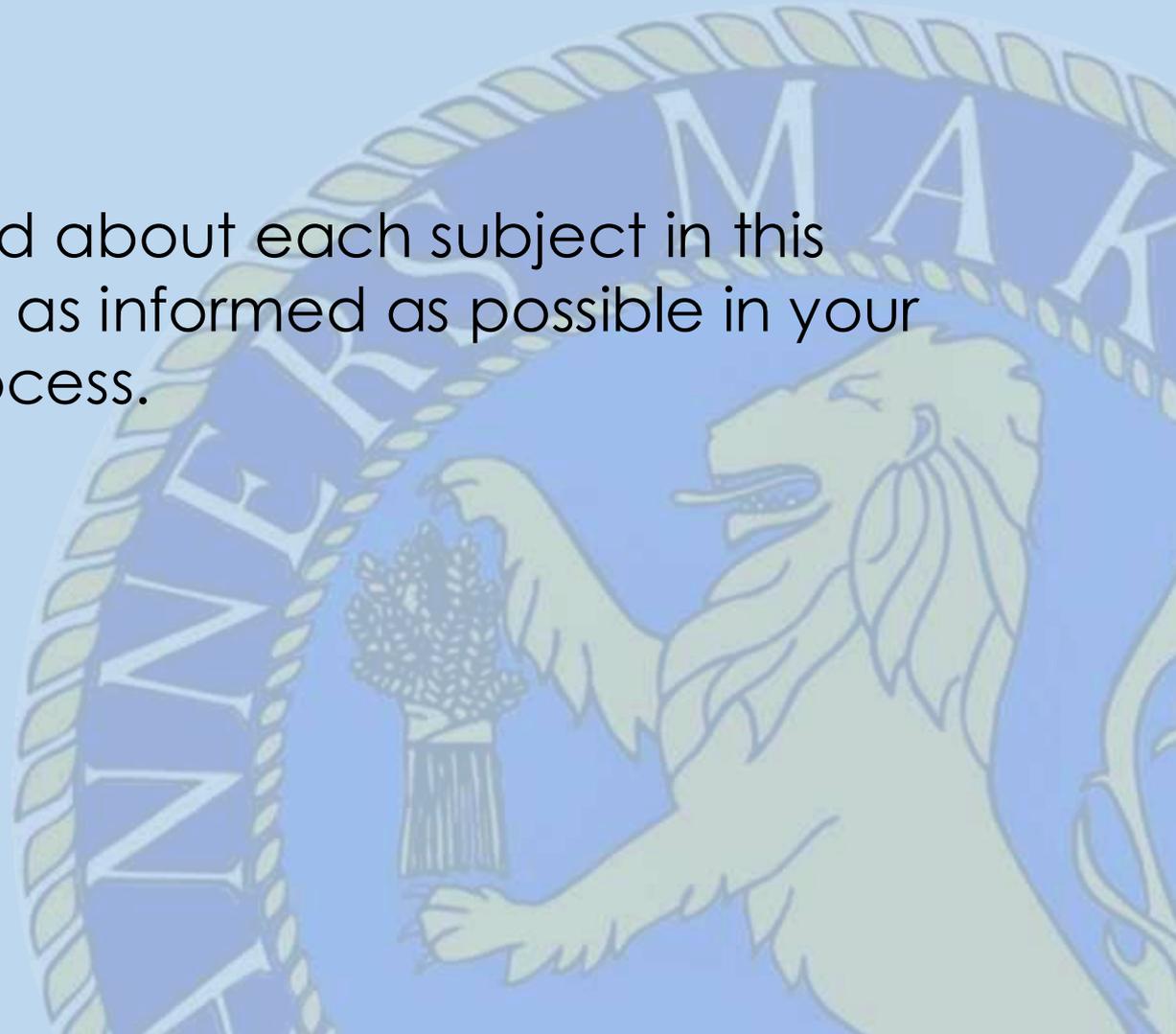
Key Dates: Supporting students to make the right choices

- **Careers Lessons During PSHE (prepared by Amy):** Autumn Term 2024
- **Introduction to Careers Talk (with Amy):** Thursday 16th Jan 2025
- **Year 9 Options Day (includes Salford City College Group Talk):** Thursday 16th Jan 2025
- **Year 9 Parents' Evening:** Thursday 16th Jan 2025
- **Accessing Careers Information Online Group Sessions (with Amy):** Tuesday 21st Jan 2025 (9U & 9R), Wednesday 22nd Jan 2025 (9M), Thursday 23rd Jan (9S & 9T)
- **Into KS4 Options Evening:** Wednesday 22nd Jan 2025
- **Careers Guidance Interviews with 25 Students (with Amy):** Tuesday 28th Jan 2025 - Wednesday 5th Feb 2025
- **Lunchtime Drop-in Sessions (with Amy):** Available every Wednesday 1:30pm-2:15pm (in the Careers Room at the back of the LRC)



Handy Hints

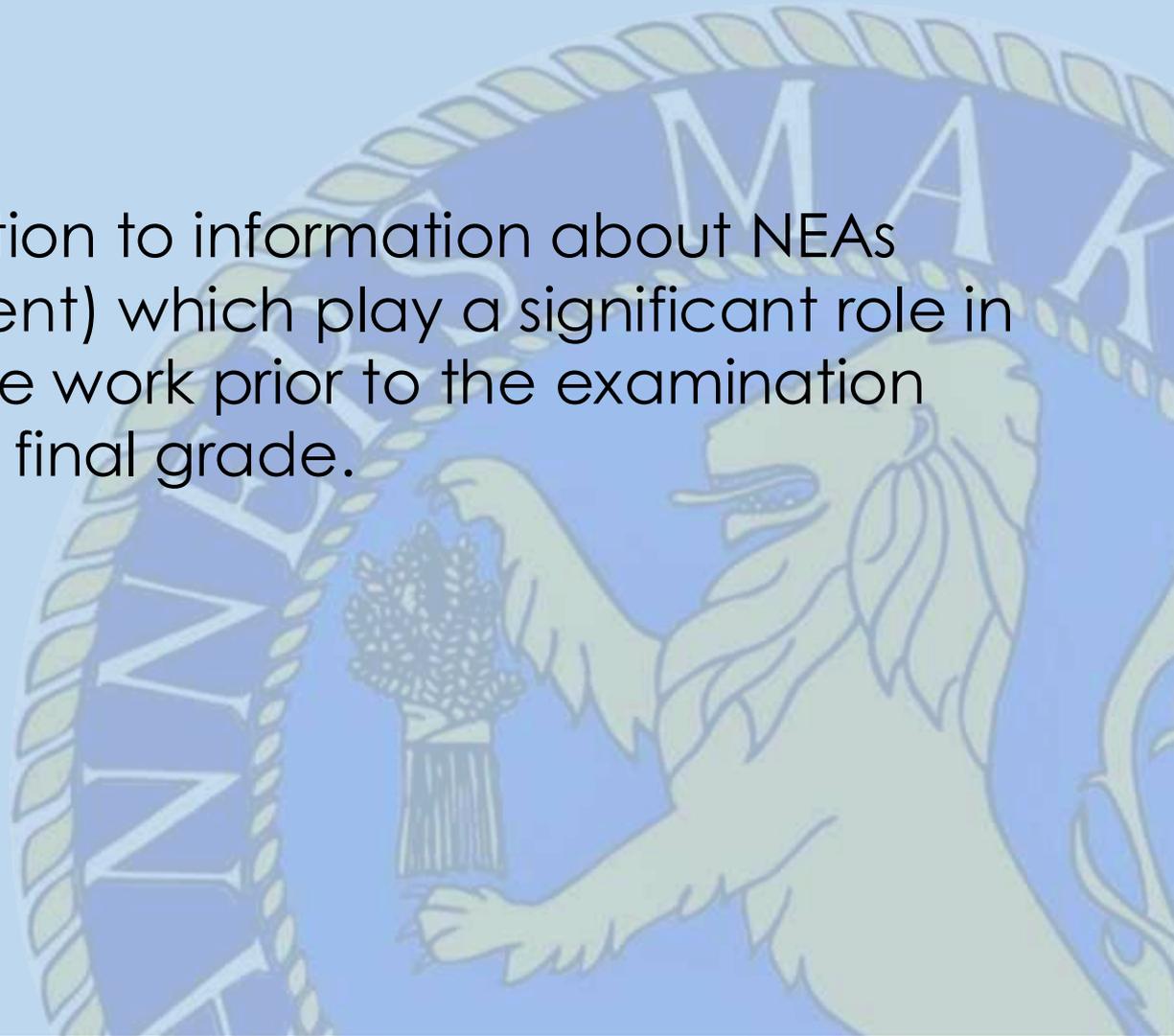
Take the time to read about each subject in this booklet to keep you as informed as possible in your decision-making process.





Handy Hints

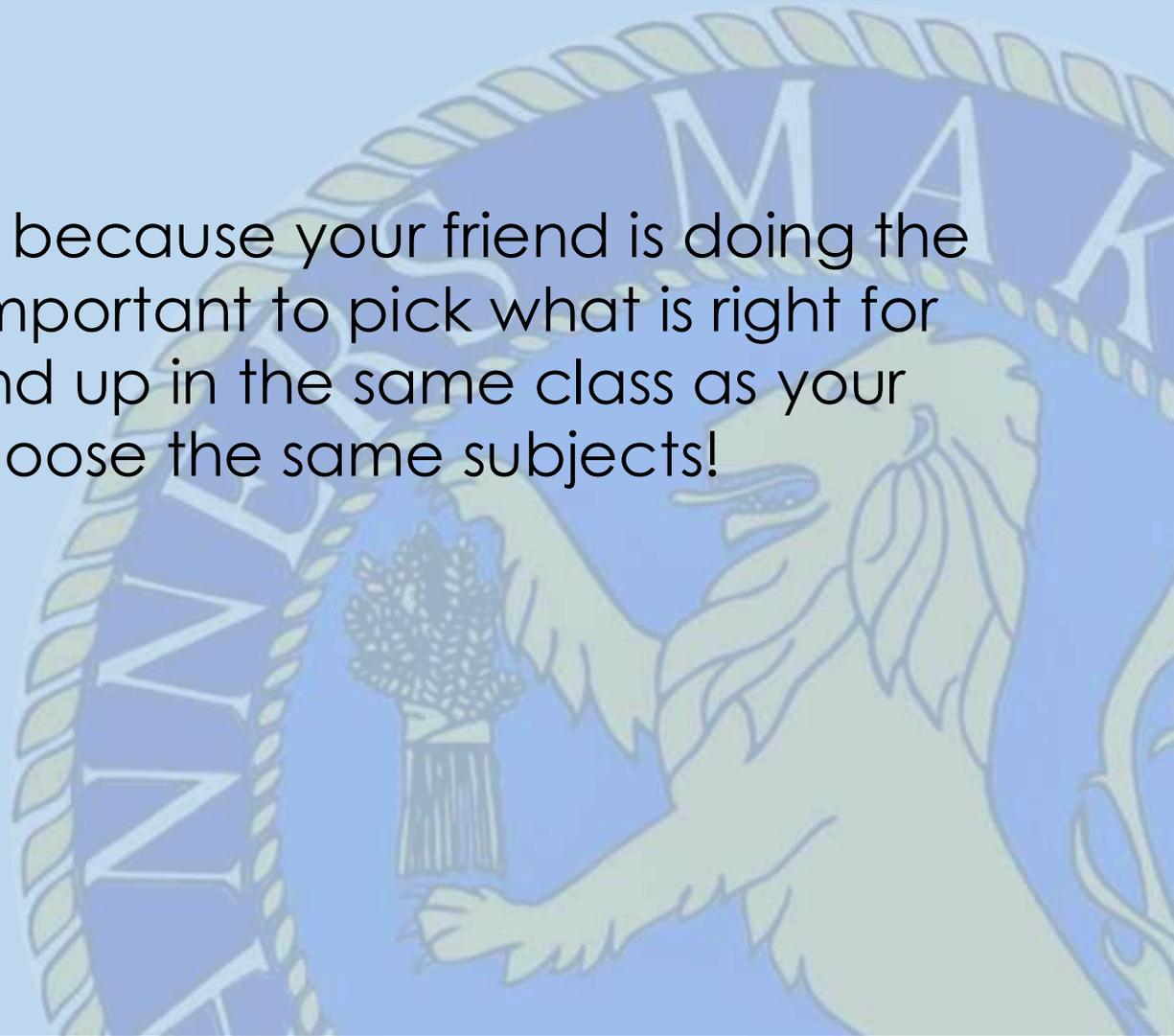
Pay particular attention to information about NEAs (Non exam assessment) which play a significant role in some subjects, where work prior to the examination counts towards your final grade.





Handy Hints

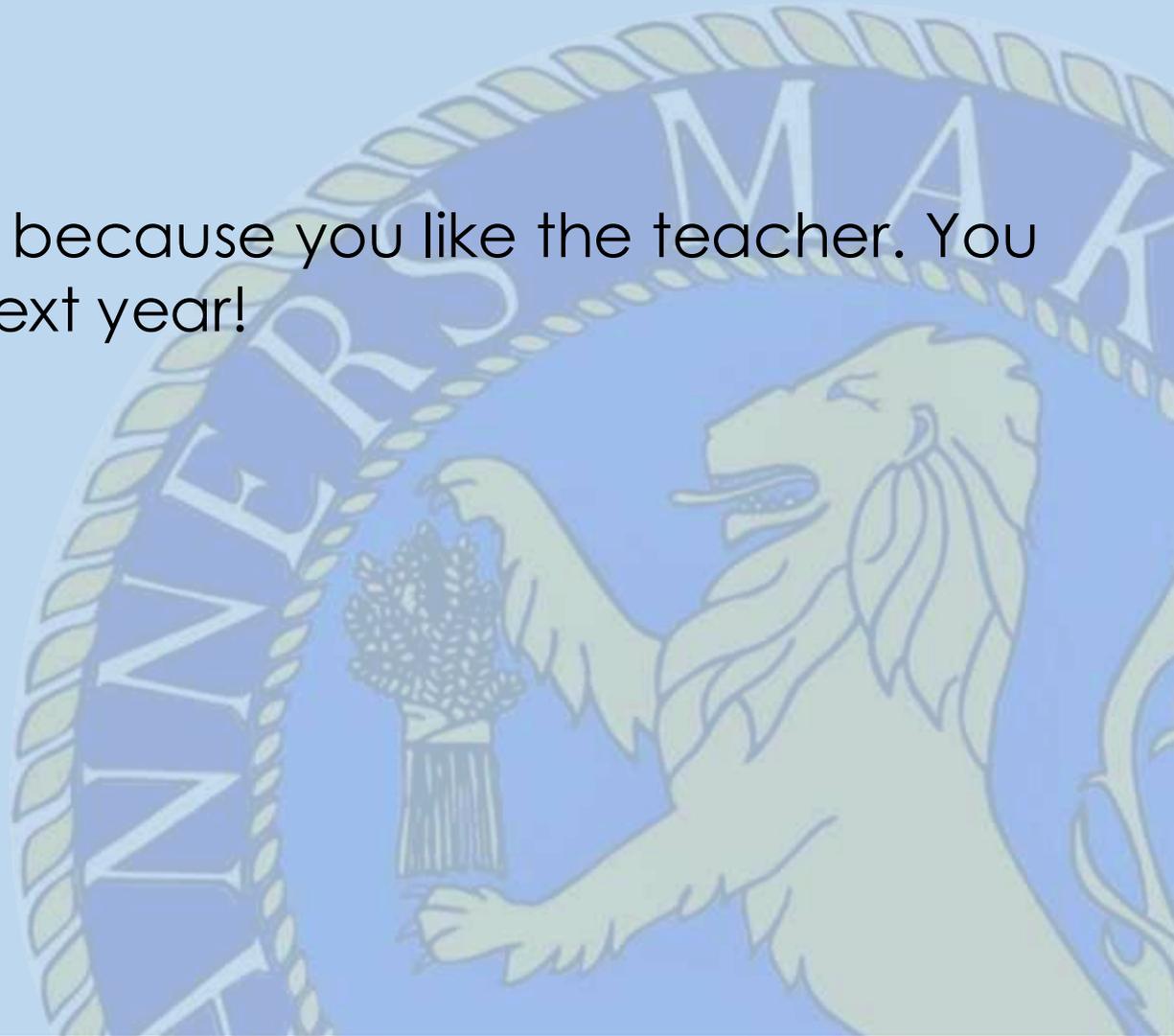
Don't pick a subject because your friend is doing the same. It's far more important to pick what is right for you. You may not end up in the same class as your friend even if you choose the same subjects!

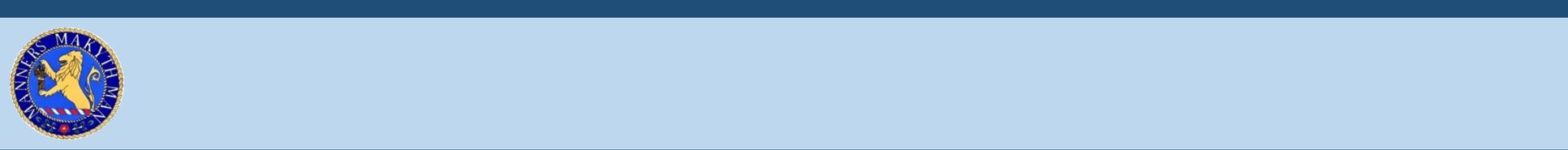




Handy Hints

Don't pick a subject because you like the teacher. You may not get them next year!





Handy Hints

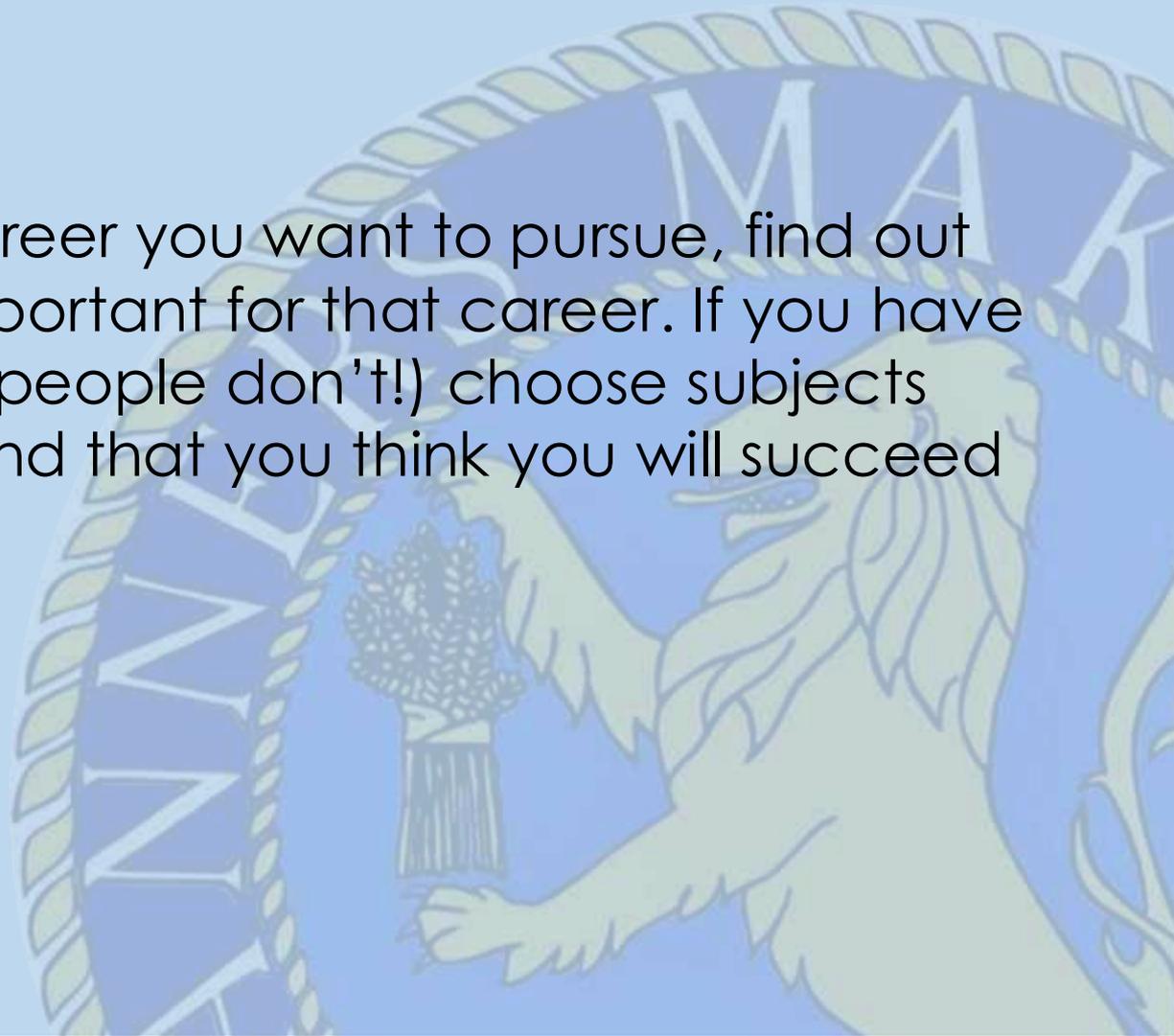
Ask questions! We are here to support you in the decision making process





Handy Hints

If you know what career you want to pursue, find out which GCSEs are important for that career. If you have no idea (and many people don't!) choose subjects that you will enjoy and that you think you will succeed in.





VACANCIES

HOME

ABOUT US

ADMISSIONS

PARENTS



EXAMS

STUDENTS

SIXTH FORM

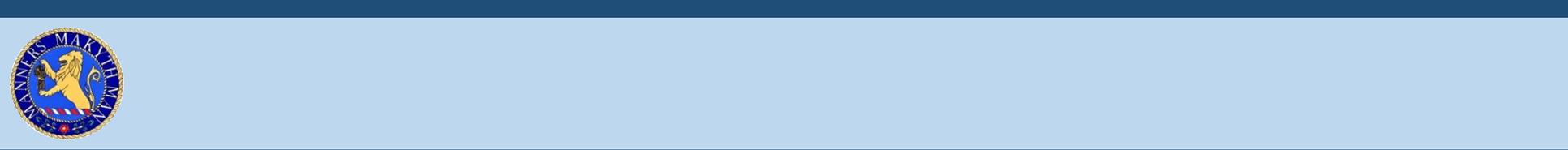
CONTACT US



HOME → STUDENTS

STUDENTS





VACANCIES

HOME ABOUT US ADMISSIONS PARENTS

f t q

EXAMS STUDENTS SIXTH FORM CONTACT US



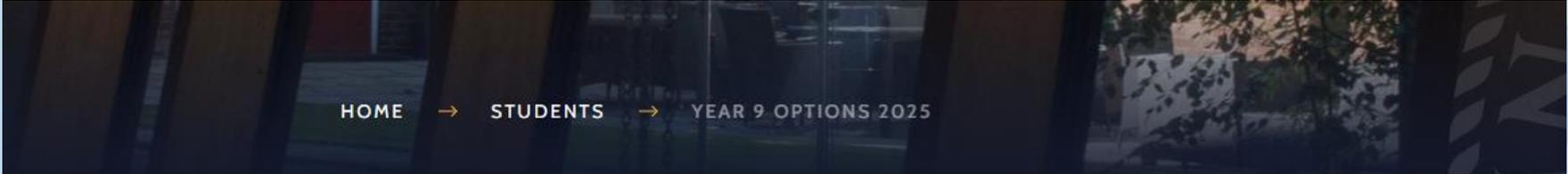
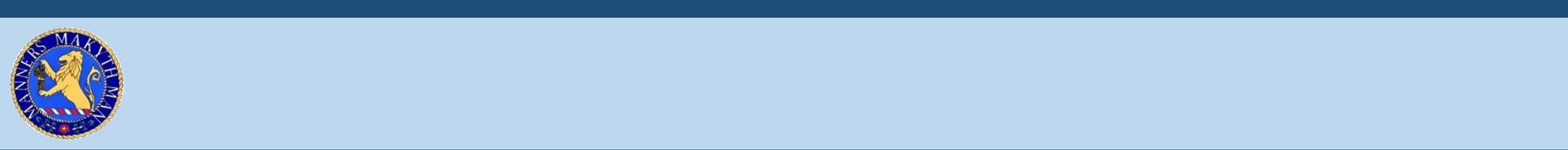
- UGS PERSPECTIVES - URMSTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL'S STUDENT MAGAZINE!
- STUDENT SHAREPOINT SITE
- LEARNING TO LEARN
- REVISION SUPPORT
- EXTRA CURRICULAR
- IT HELP GUIDES
- READING LIST
- REMOTE LEARNING
- USEFUL INTERNET LINKS
- CANTEEN MENUS
- ONLINE SAFETY
- WELLBEING - STUDENTS
- YEAR 9 OPTIONS 2025

HOME → STUDENTS

STUDENTS

This section of our website is designed for Urmston Grammar students to access lots of useful resources and information all in one place.

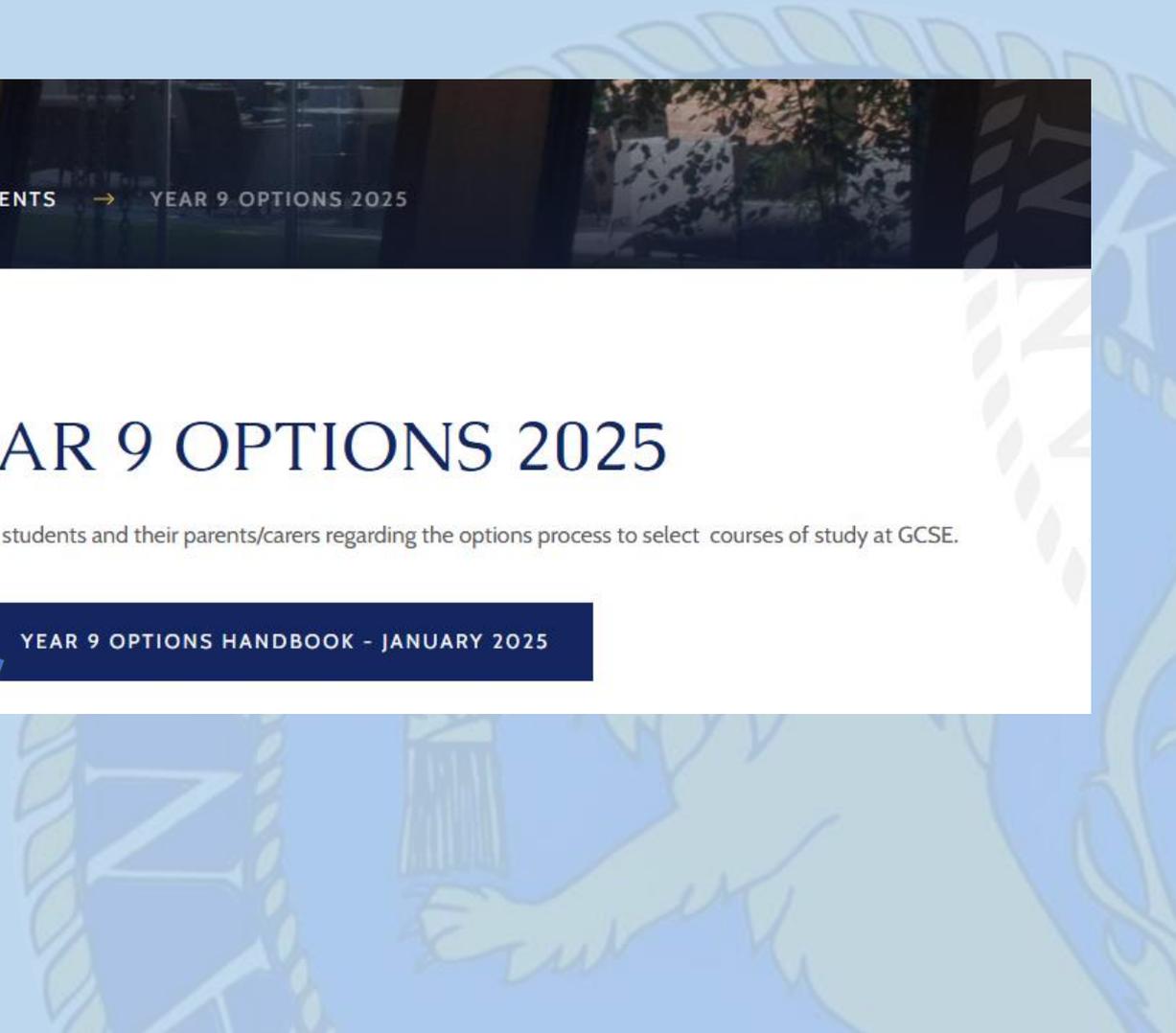
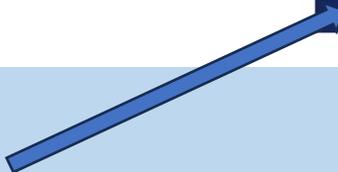




YEAR 9 OPTIONS 2025

Please see below information for Year 9 students and their parents/carers regarding the options process to select courses of study at GCSE.

[YEAR 9 OPTIONS HANDBOOK - JANUARY 2025](#)





Questions

Subject specific

Contact the subject tutor or curriculum leader via office@urmstongrammar.org.uk

Careers related

Contact our Careers advisor Amy Marshall (Amarshall@urmstongrammar.org.uk)

Anything else

Contact Mr Roberts (Proberts@urmstongrammar.org.uk)

