

4TH YEAR OPTIONS AND CHOICES

Next September, your child will enter the 4th year of secondary school. The curriculum will include both compulsory and optional subjects.

1. <u>4th and 5th year form a cycle. For these two years pupils are enrolled in the following compulsory subjects:</u>

| | <u>45 mn periods</u> |
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| Language I (mother tongue) | 4 |
| Language II (first foreign language) | 3 |
| Language III (second foreign language) | 3 |
| History* | 2 |
| Geography* | 2 |
| Biology | 2 |
| Chemistry | 2 |
| Physics | 2 |
| Physical education | 2 |
| Religion or ethics | 1 |
| Mathematics | 4 or 6 |
| | 27 or 29 periods |

* Taught in Language 2

2. <u>Pupils must enroll in enough elective subjects to ensure that their total weekly timetable</u> <u>contains between 31 (minimum) and 35 (maximum) periods :</u>

| Latin (if taken in S2-S3) | 4 |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Language IV (third foreign language) | 4 |
| Economics (taught in Language 2) | 4 |
| Art | 2 |
| Music | 2 |
| Computer studies (ICT) | 2 |

When making their choice of options, parents and pupils should bear in mind the following points:

• An optional subject can only be opened if it is chosen by at least 7 pupils.

• An optional subject begun in 4th year may be continued in 6th and 7th year only if sufficient pupils have registered to attend. Latin may be organised in mixed language groups if enrollment is insufficient by language section.

• The choice of an optional subject commits the pupil for 2 years: options may not be changed or dropped from the start of 4th year, except that a pupil may change from Maths 6 to Maths 4 at the end of the first or second semesters of 4th year, <u>upon written request of the parents and subject to approval by the Class Council and if a minimum of 31 periods remain.</u>

• Options will have to fit within the timetable. This implies that not all combinations may be possible. In any event, you should ensure that the choice of options forms a consistent array of subjects. Depending on what the timetable allows, the school will do its best to ensure that a maximum of options chosen are satisfied. However, when necessary, you may be asked to choose a different set of options.

• Economics will be taught in all 3 vehicular languages (German-English-French) providing enough pupils have registered.

• Art, music, ICT and physical education are normally taught in the teacher's own language. Pupils may or may not attend these classes in their native language.

• The following will be offered as Language IV options (providing enough pupils have registered): German, English, French, Spanish and Italian.

• Given the large number of different options, pupils may have classes on Wednesday afternoons until 15:25.



Form to be filled by the parents of pupils in **S3EN** in anticipation of their entering **S4EN** in school year **2019 – 2020**

Pupil's family name and first name:

I) Subjects followed in 3rd year (please state)

| LANGUAGE 1 | | | | | |
|---------------------|----------|------------|--------|--------|--|
| LANGUAGE 2 | | | | | |
| LANGUAGE 3 | | | | | |
| RELIGION/ ETHICS | Catholic | Protestant | Jewish | Ethics | |

II) Subjects chosen for 4th year and 5th year

Fill in the number of periods in the right-hand column

| COMPULSORY SUBJECTS | | | 23 | | |
|---|-----|---------|----|------------------------------------|--|
| MATHEMATICS | 4 p | periods | | Opinion of the mathematics teacher | |
| | 6 p | periods | | □ Agree □ Disagree | |
| LATIN (4 periods) | | | | | |
| ECONOMICS (4 periods) | | | | | |
| LANGUAGE 4 (4 periods) | *. | | | | |
| ART (2) | | | | | |
| MUSIC (2) | | | | | |
| ICT (Computing) (2) | | | | | |
| TOTAL (between 31 and 35 periods) | | | |] | |

* Please state choice of L4

Please note that an optional subject can only be opened when a minimum of 7 pupils have registered.

Should your chosen options not be available, the school will ask you to make another choice. If necessary, you will receive a new list of possible combinations of options.

This form must be returned to the class teacher by the 29th March 2019 at the latest.

Date :

Parents' signature :