What We Teach At Sacred Heart

During the seven years your daughter will spend at Sacred Heart, she will study a wide range of subjects; increasing her knowledge and developing new skills. The curriculum at Key Stage 3 is based upon, but not limited to, The National Curriculum. In addition to English, Maths, Science, Geography, History, Music, Art, French or Spanish, Computer Science and Physical Education, she will have the opportunity to study all three Technologies (Food Science, Textiles and Product Design); participate in specialist Dance and Drama lessons; engage with our enhanced Religious Studies course and most students will pick up a second modern foreign language. We don't assume that your daughter will arrive with all of the skills required and so we have developed a unique course, GRiT (Girls' Resilience in Thinking), to help her become the Professional Learner that we hone in our Sixth Form.

Towards the end of Year 9 your daughter will choose 3 or 4 Option subjects, these will sit alongside her Core Curriculum: English Language and Literature, Mathematics, Trilogy Science and Religious Studies. Together they will form the basis of her Key Stage 4, or GCSE, Curriculum and will encourage her to develop her knowledge and understanding in areas of learning that interest her as well as retaining a broad range of subjects. Details of all the options available to her are provided in a Curriculum Booklet and you will have the opportunity to ask particular questions at our Year 9 Curriculum Evening.

Our Sixth Form offers a wide range of subjects and we collaborate closely with St Cuthbert's to further increase the range of courses available to your daughter. Virtually all of our students pick 3 A Levels, focusing on a group of subjects that enhance each other and lead to further study.

Throughout their time here all students study PSHCE, Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education and participate in Core Physical Education. We have a Personal Development Curriculum that is interwoven throughout lessons as appropriate and through special events and visits, examples of which can be seen on the school blog: Personal Development Blog | Sacred Heart High (sacredheart-high.org)

Exactly what is taught and when it is taught can be found in much greater detail on the School website under 'Curriculum': OVERVIEW (sacredheart-high.org)

Reports are sent regularly with Targets (the grade your daughter can achieve), Current Grades (the average grade she has achieved since the last report) and Predicted Grades (the grade her teachers think is the most likely outcome for her at the end of the course). A further explanation as to how we assess your daughter's progress can be found at A parents' guide to assessment and reporting at Sacred Heart (sacredheart-high.org)