

Post 16 Curriculum and Grouping 2024-2025

The table below has been produced as a guide, to help parents and carers understand Post 16 subject groupings. If you have further questions about specific subject areas please contact Mrs Bell on [Bell.e@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:bell.e@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk)

At Post 16 all students follow a two-week timetable (week 1 and week 2) with each Level 3 course allocated 10 hours per fortnight - with a minimum of 7 hours face to face teaching and up to 3 hours of independent study, students are expected to use these sessions. This can be 5 hours in week 1 and 5 in week 2, or 6 in week 1 and 4 in week 2 etc.

Students can also pursue the Extended Project Qualification; this is an independent course that is equivalent to an AS grade and is offered to students at the end of Year 12. This course is allocated two 1-hour sessions per week. Students are expected to attend 1 of these and the rest is made up of independent work and 1-2-1 tutorials. All students follow a minimum of 3 A Level courses, with some completing 4.

All groups at A Level are mixed ability. Students are expected to choose 3 subjects that they study for 2 years, one from each block. They can also choose a 4th subject which they can pursue for 1 or 2 years.

Table to show Year 12 groupings

Option A
Art (Ad) GCE A2 Biology (B) GCE A2 English Literature (Et) GCE A2 Geography (G) GCE A2
Option B
Chemistry (C) GCE A2 History (H) GCE A2 Sport (Pe) CAMTEC Diploma L3
Option C
English Language (E) GCE A2 Physics (P) GCE A2 Sport (Pe) CAMTEC Diploma L3 (Media was offered in this block but due to lack of numbers this was removed)

Option D
Drama (Dr) CTec Mathematics (M) GCE A2 Psychology (Py) GCE A2 (Spanish was offered in this block but due to lack of numbers this was removed)
EPQ
Extended Project Qualification L3

Students that have **NOT** achieved a grade 4 in English or mathematics are expected to retake this in the Summer term.

Model to show the structure of the Year 12 timetable

A	Option A	11	B	Option B	14	C	Option C	12	D	Option D	12	E	Retake English	4	M	Retake Maths	5	Q	EPQ	4	*	Enrichment	2		
13	Ad ₈	8	17	C ₃	9	17	E ₃	9	17	Dr ₈	8	EN	50	E ₄	4	RTK	50	M ₅	5	50	Ep ₄	4	50	+e ₂	2
13	B ₁₀	10	17	H ₁₀	10	17	P ₈	8	17	M ₃	9														
12	Et ₃	9	16	Pe ₈	8	16	Pe ₃	9	16	Py ₃	9														
12	G ₃	9																							

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7	Ad ₃	9	9	C ₃	9	9	E ₃	9	9	Pe ₃	8	25	+e ₂	2	50	Ep ₄	4
6	B ₃	9	8	H ₃	9	8	Me ₃	8	8	M ₃	9						
6	G ₃	9	8	Pe ₃	8	8	P ₃	8	8	Py ₃	9						
6	Et ₃	9															

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