



# Welcome to the 2023 Year 9 Guided Choices Information Evening

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# Key Stage 4 (Years 10 & 11)

So far, you may not have given much thought to the timetable that you have followed in school or to what you want to do in the future

However, for Years 10 and 11 you can choose some of the subjects that you will study.

The courses that you choose will lead to a range of qualifications that will help to prepare you for further education and life when you leave school.

## Key Stage 4 Curriculum at Tytherington School

### Compulsory Core Courses

- English Language GCSE
- English Literature GCSE
- Mathematics GCSE
- Science – as either Separate or combine “Trilogy” GCSEs

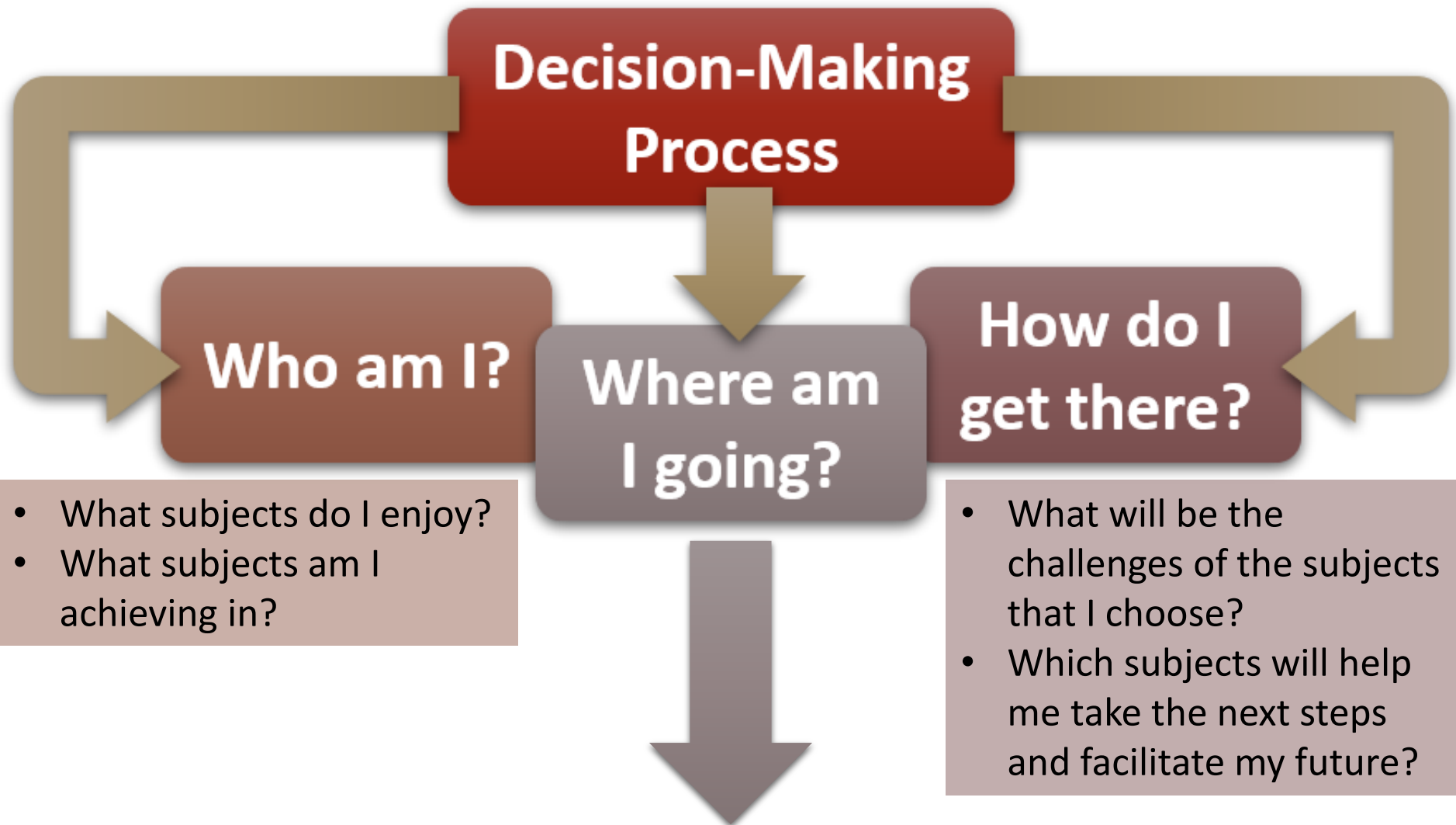
### Compulsory Core Lessons

- Physical Education
- Personal Development

### Additional Courses

- At least one “EBacc” subject and three additional “Other” or “EBacc” subjects – four in total

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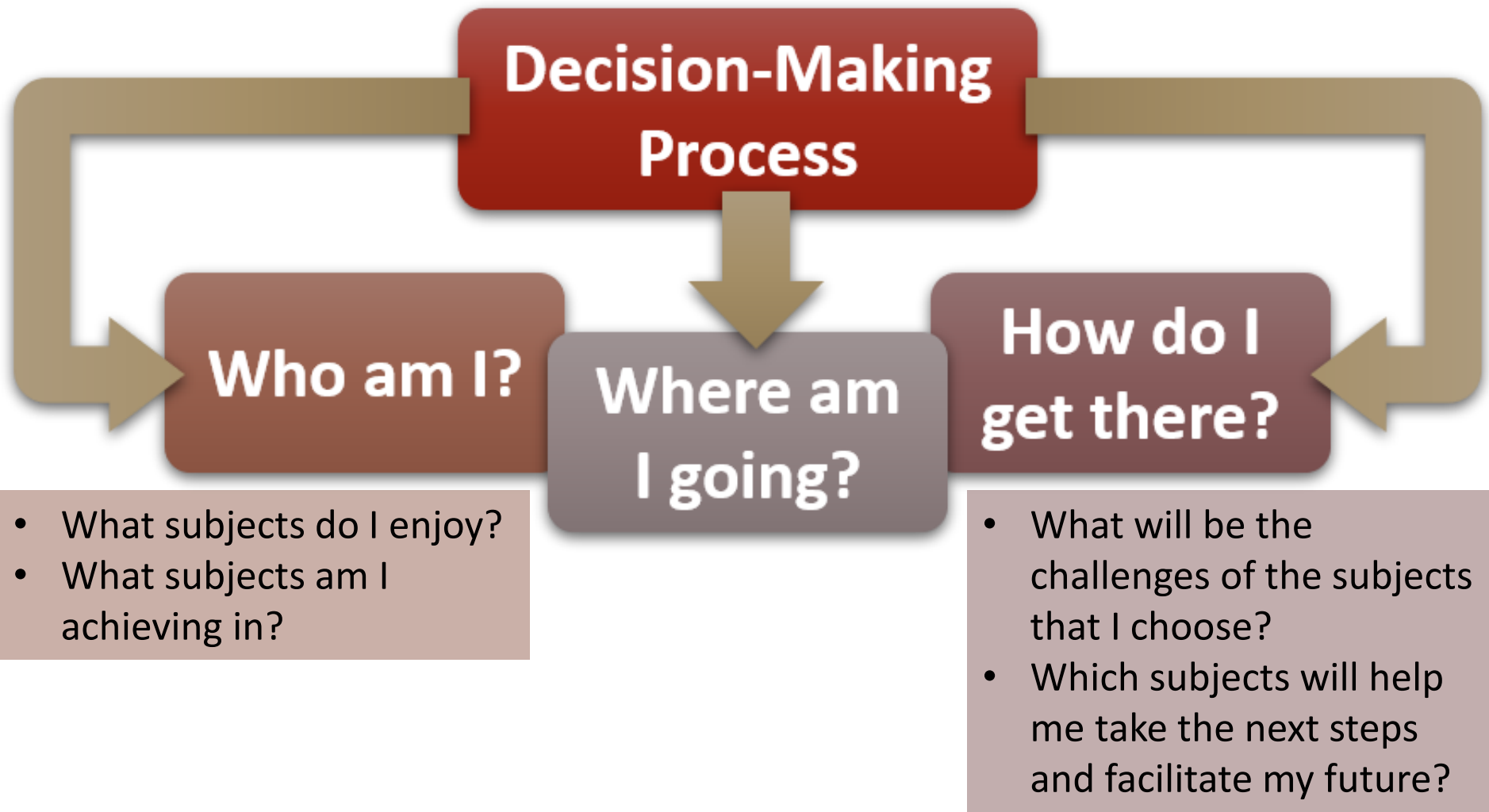


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# Where am I going?



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Which subjects will help me take the next steps and facilitate my future?

**Do you fancy the challenge and long-term benefits of the English Baccalaureate (EBacc)?**

“The English Baccalaureate (EBacc) is made up of the subjects which are considered essential to many degrees and open up lots of doors.”

[Department for Education, 2019](#)

All of our students that have gone to Oxford or Cambridge and **nearly 90%** of our students going to Russell Group Universities took the EBacc combination of subjects in Key Stage 4



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“A study by the UCL Institute of Education shows that studying subjects included in the EBacc provides students with greater opportunities in further education and increases the likelihood that a pupil will stay on in full-time education.

Sutton Trust research reveals that studying the EBacc can help improve a young person’s performance in English and maths.”

[Department for Education, 2019](#)



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# Which subjects will help me take the next steps and facilitate my future?

You can achieve the **EBacc** at **Tytherington School** through taking the following combination of subjects:

## **ALL** OF THESE:

- ENGLISH LANGUAGE
- ENGLISH LITERATURE
- SCIENCE  
(TRILOGY OR SEPARATE)
- MATHS

## **ONE** OF THESE:

- GEOGRAPHY
- HISTORY

## **ONE** OF THESE:

- MANDARIN
- FRENCH
- GERMAN
- SPANISH
- LATIN

**EBacc**  
THE ENGLISH  
BACCALAUREATE

**PLUS** YOU GET TO CHOOSE **TWO** FURTHER SUBJECTS AS WELL!



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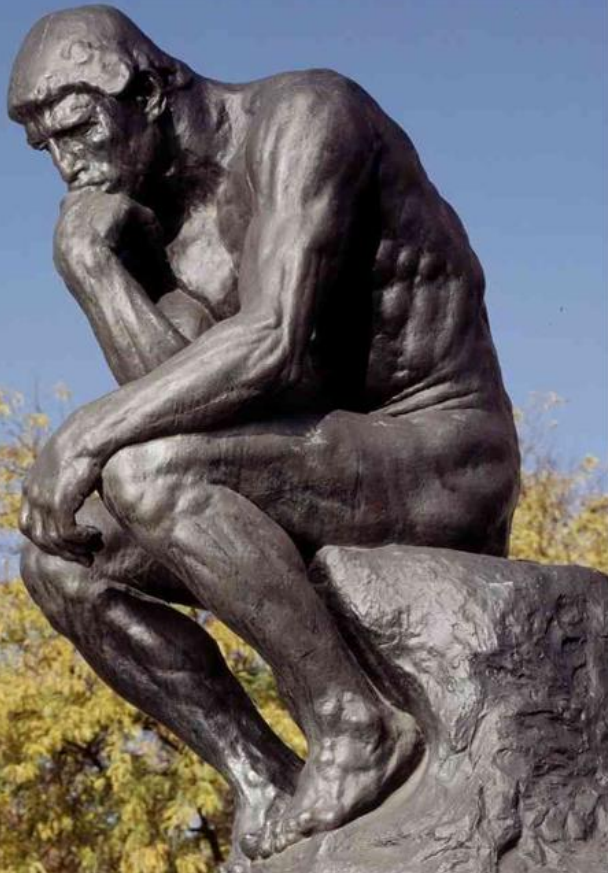
# THE **Symposium**

*Ambition, Eloquence,  
Excellence*

In addition to our academic and vocational support we are also pleased to offer a bespoke programme to prepare students for the process of applying for further and higher education.

The Symposium runs a panoply of events, from Q & A sessions with senior tutors, dedicated Oxbridge application workshops, preparation for outstanding personal statements to guided reading sessions and trips to the UK's leading universities.

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# Enhanced Mainstream Provision

In addition to our academic pathway some students will be offered the opportunity to study a bespoke programme that incorporates Core GCSE subjects and Vocational Qualifications.

This pathway will enable students to access support that will prepare them for vocational and further education.



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# Year 9 Monitoring Reports

- Provide an insight into academic progress and attitude to learning
- Help to support decision making about Key Stage 4 courses
- More detailed discussion at Parents Evening

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# Introduction of Target Grades and Predicted Performance Grades

SUBJECT	END OF KS4 TARGET	PPG***	SCALED ASSESSMENT SCORE **	ATTITUDE TO LEARNING	ATTITUDE TO LEARNING TARGET
Art	6+	6+	n/a	Good	To complete class work tasks to the best of your ability.
Computing	5+	5+	125	Good	To work co-operatively with others during group work.
Drama	6+	6+	n/a	Excellent	To continue to display such a positive approach to learning.
English	6-	6-	112	Excellent	To continue to display such a positive approach to learning.
French	6-	6-	117	Excellent	To continue to display such a positive approach to learning.
Geography	6+	6+	128	Excellent	To continue to display such a positive approach to learning.
German	5+	5+	100	Excellent	To contribute ideas to whole class discussions.
History	6+	7-	118	Excellent	To continue to display such a positive approach to learning.
Mathematics	5+	6	114	Excellent	To continue to display such a positive approach to learning.
Music	6	6	n/a	Excellent	To continue to display such a positive approach to learning.
PE	6	5	n/a	Good	To contribute ideas to whole class discussions.
Religious St	7	7	n/a	Good	To settle quickly and quietly to all tasks set.
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# Key Dates in the Guided Choices Process

DATE	EVENT
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>Year 9 Guided Choices Assembly – Psychology &amp; Textiles</b> An assembly for all Year 9 students, led by our subject leaders for Psychology and Textiles to inform them about these subjects that are not taught in Key Stage 3.
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>Year 9 Assessment &amp; Monitoring Reports Sent Home</b> Assessment & Monitoring Reports will be sent home.
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>Year 9 Guided Choices Assembly – Child Development &amp; Classical Civilisation</b> An assembly for all Year 9 students, led by our subject leaders for Child Development and Classical Civilisation to inform about these subjects that are not taught in Key Stage 3.

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# Key Dates in the Guided Choices Process

DATE	EVENT
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 1:30pm – 7:00pm</b>	<b>Year 9 Parents' Evening (Online)</b> Opportunity to discuss performance and possible choices with teachers. <b>Booking opens at 9am on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>
<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 7:45am – 6:00pm</b>	<b>Guided Choices Consultation Meetings (In Person, In School)</b> A day that provides opportunity for parents and students to come into school for a guidance appointment to discuss and finalise their choices. <b>Booking opens at 9am on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>

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# Key Dates in the Guided Choices Process

DATE	EVENT
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023</b> By Midnight	<b>Choices Form Submission Deadline (Online)</b> Final date for submission of students' online "Year 9 Guided Choices".
<b>March &amp; April 2023</b>	<b>Guided Choices Review</b> If additional consultations are required, they will take place between selected students and a senior member of staff before final allocations are confirmed.
<b>April/May 2023</b>	<b>Confirmation of Choice Allocations</b> A confirmation letter informing you and your parents/carers of the choices that have been allocated is sent home.

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# Apprenticeship Information

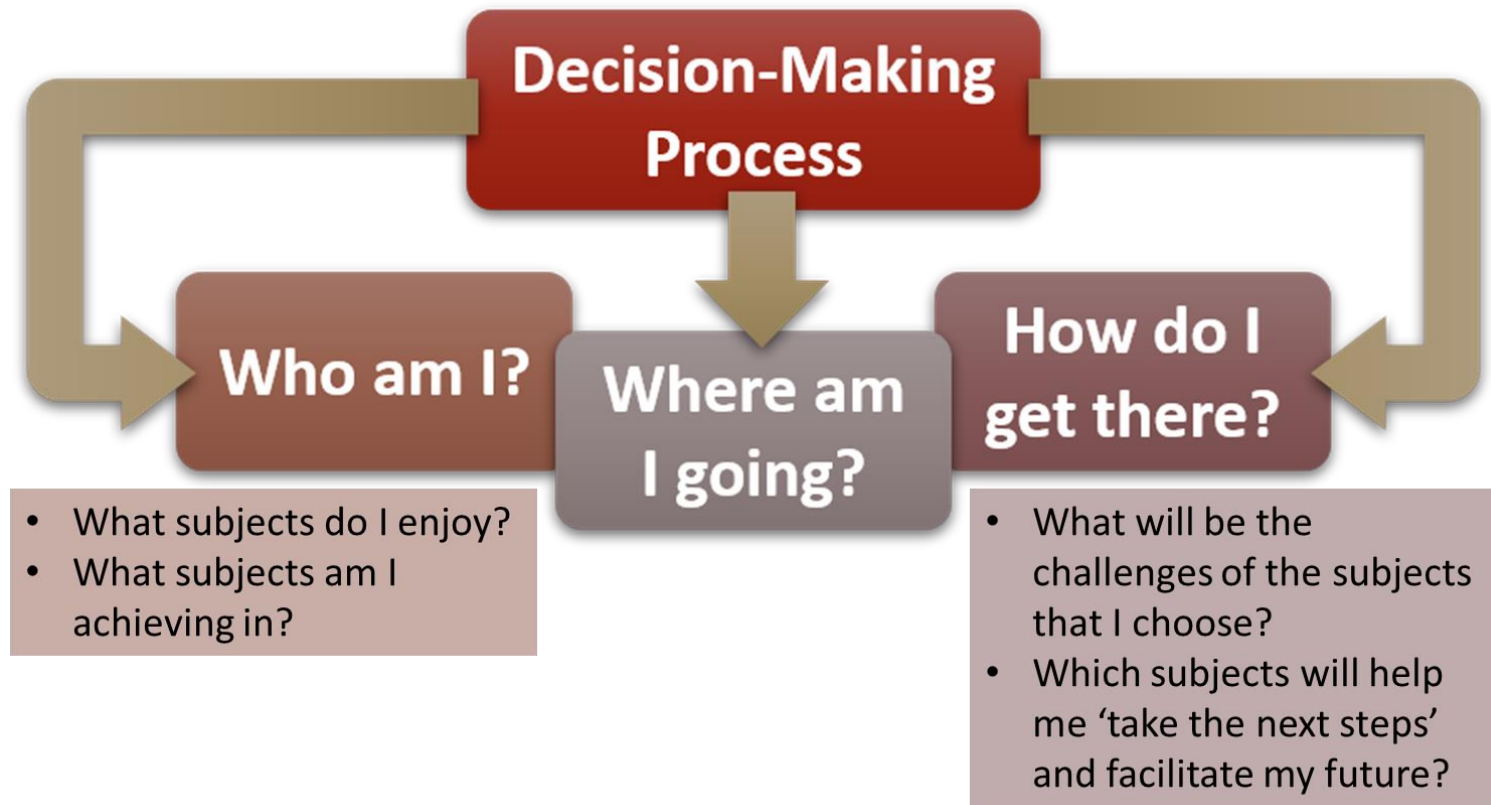
Mrs Brennan has been working closely with Ask Apprenticeships to provide an information event at **6pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023.**

This is not formally a part of the Guided Choices process but something that you might be interested in for the future.

This information event will take place online and details of it will be sent out by Mrs Brennan closer to the time.

# What do I do now?

- Take a good look together through the “Guided Choices Booklet for 2023-25” and discuss the options that are available, while considering:



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# What do I do now?

- ❑ Please ensure that your child completes the “National Careers Service – Discover your skills and careers” task on FireFly before Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January.

You will need to bring the “Reference Code” from doing the task in with you for the Consultation Meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> January.

- ❑ Book your Parents’ Evening appointments (taking place online) – Available to book on SchoolCloud from 9am on Friday 13th January 2023

- ❑ Book your Guided Choices Consultation Meeting (taking place in person, in school) – Available to book on SchoolCloud from 9am on Monday 16th January 2023

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