



FAQs - Year 9 Preferences

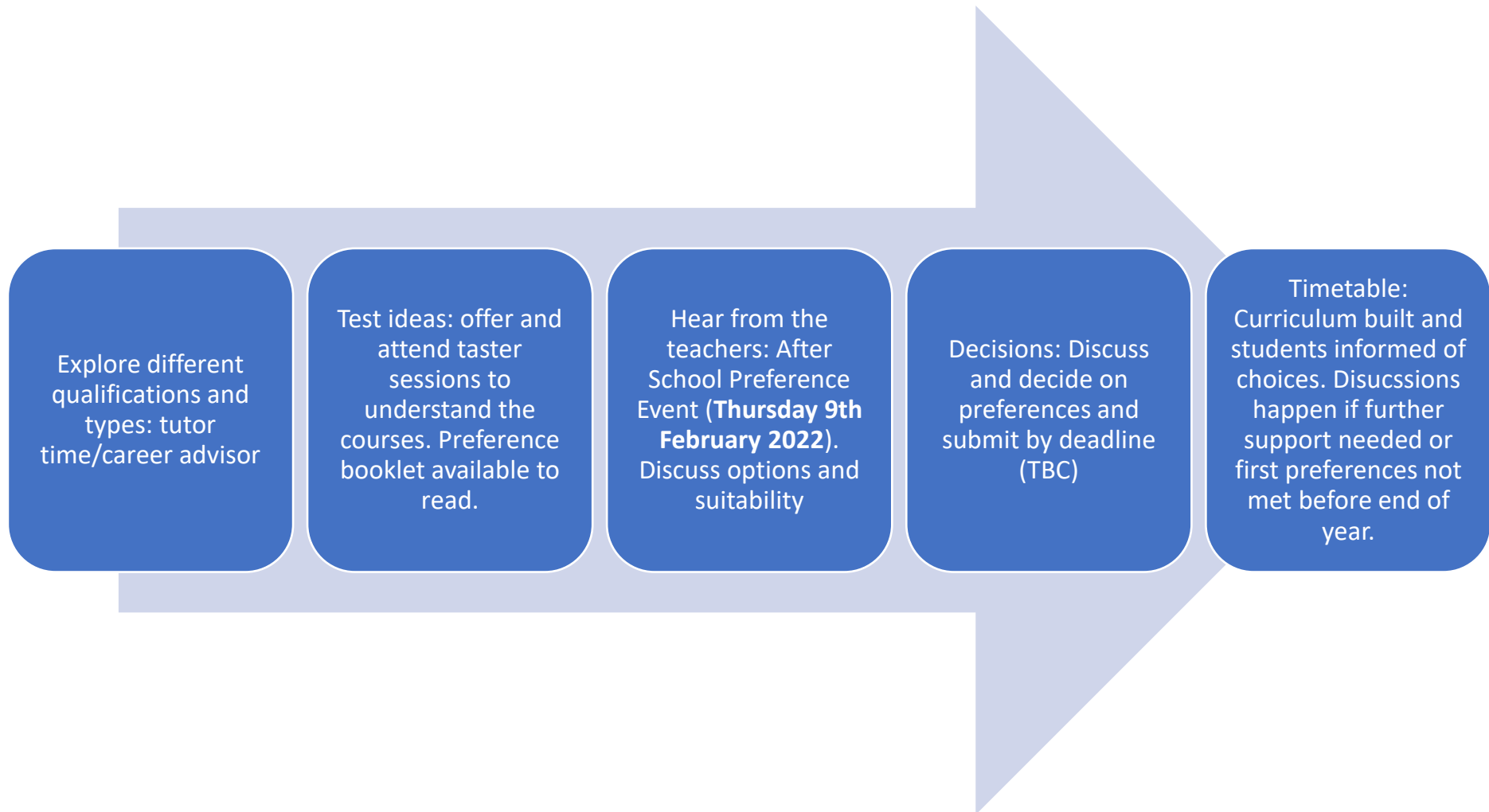
What are Year 9 Preferences?

- The process where students in Year 9 and their family choose the qualifications to undertake in years 10 and 11. This will include traditional academic GCSEs that have to be undertaken and a mix of qualifications: traditional GCSEs and applied courses e.g. vocational equivalents to choose from.

What makes Broadoak unique?

- We build the timetable around what students want. This means subjects are not pre-set on a timetable and we listen to what qualifications the students want to do, then build a curriculum that allows the majority of students their first choices.

What is the process?



What will a student have to do?

All students in England have to take GCSE qualifications in:

- English – including Literature and Language
- Mathematics
- Science – either separate GCSEs or a combined qualification
- An EBACC subject from: Geography, History, Spanish or French
- Non-examined: Core PE and PSHE

How can you help?

Do not panic – focus on your young person’s wellbeing. Be open-minded to the variety of courses on offer. Begin to consider the post-16 options and routes available, if a student knows what they want to do after school preferences often become easier.

Let us know any qualifications you are interested in taking – where possible, we will provide. For example: psychology, sociology etc.