



The William Henry Smith School

The WHSS EBacc

The WHSS EBacc is our bespoke school performance indicator that measures students' success and attainment at the end of Year 11 based on a range of achievements, experiences, life-based skills, awards and qualifications. All of our students are entered for the WHSS EBacc on a pathway suited to their skills, needs and talents. It is our aim that every student will achieve the EBacc by the time they leave us. Our bespoke EBacc recognises that a broad and balanced curriculum is vitally important to help all students fulfil their potential, whatever their educational needs and learning goals.

We have four pathways, all of which set our students in good stead for the next stage of their learning journey, providing them with the qualities to access further education, life skills relevant to today's world, and easing their transition into adult life. All four pathways contain academic success in two of the core subjects, English and mathematics. Our students can select three non-core subjects from a varied and broad range of qualifications and awards that suit their skills, interests and talents. Many students study more than these.

Alongside academic qualifications, all our students have the opportunity to undertake a plethora of experiences such as bikeability, health and fitness, outdoor learning, and water confidence to name a few. This works alongside our '100 things to experience before you leave WHSS' initiative. Our students also undertake learning in areas such as first aid, food safety, online safety, British Values; achievement of the EBacc also considers student participation in our Quality of Life Curriculum, Therapy, Social Progress System, work experience, school jobs, volunteering and community work, participation in clubs and activities, and progress made towards their individual EHCP targets.

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