

SAINT GEORGE  
*Careers*  
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Saint George Catholic College

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# Year 11 Careers Pack

A student & parent guide for 2025-2026



Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely summer!

In this careers pack you will find all careers related information you need to know for the upcoming academic year.

We are hosting our annual careers event on **Thursday 18th September 2025** - we hope you can join us (invitation below)

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## YEAR 11 CAREERS EVENING

THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025  
6pm - 6:30pm

# CAREERS



**YR11 CAREERS FAIR**  
**6PM - 6:30PM**  
**(DANCE STUDIO)**

**COME AND MEET WITH LOCAL EMPLOYERS WITHIN THE AREA!**  
**EXPLORE POST 16+ OPTIONS WITH LOCAL COLLEGES!**

The collage includes logos for: NHS, ebp, BDO, Ministry of Defence, BAE SYSTEMS, seta, ARMY, Southamptn, PETA, ST ANNE SOUTH COSE COLLEGE, Brookerhurst College, RICHARD TAUNTON SIXTH FORM COLLEGE, SPARSHOLT, and Barton Powerl.

**FIND OUT INFORMATION ON T-LEVELS & APPRENTICESHIPS**

**MEET WITH LOCAL EMPLOYERS AND COLLEGE PROVIDERS**

**EXPLORE CAREERS WITHIN LOCAL BUSINESSES**

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**SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

# Year 11 Careers Key Information

## **Year 11 Assemblies (Thursday)**

Every Thursday YR11 will be visited by colleges and apprenticeship providers during assemblies which will be presenting information regarding the various different courses on offer and how to apply.

## **Career Appointments**

All year 11 students can book in for an appointment with Roxanne for a 1-1 careers appointment. They can do this by messaging or teams or popping up to the careers office.

## **Accessibility to careers**

Roxanne the careers advisor will be located in R14 (computer room) every tutor morning. Year 11s can use this opportunity to apply for colleges, write personal statements, CVs or apprenticeship applications. This is open to all YR11 students.

## **Questions**

The careers department can assist students and parents/carers with the following:

- Applying for college
- Course and college choices
- Apprenticeships
- CV Writing / Interview Preparation / Personal Statements
- Transport applications
- College bursary & funding grants
- Boarding applications (*if needed*)
- Universal Credit queries (*for parents - advice regarding 'not in education' students or students who are starting an apprenticeship and still living at home*) \*payments may reduce if your child does not stay in further education until 18, or starts an apprenticeship/further training
- Signposting to mental health or financial services

# Year 11 Applications



## College Applications

Attached below is a list of all of the college open evenings. Ideally students should be applying to college before they break up for Christmas, however most college applications stay open until the summer term.

**\*The exceptions to this are Barton Peveril and Peter Symonds**

Barton Peveril Application Open Date - TBC (mid september)

Barton Peveril Closing Application Date (**DEADLINE**) - TBC (Early February)

Peter Symonds Application Open Date - Monday 15th September 2025

Peter Symonds Closing Application Date (**DEADLINE**) - Monday 8th December 2025

*\*(applications will not be accepted after this date. Students applying to Barton Peveril or Peter Symonds will have to write a personal statement or answer set questions)*

## Applying Process

All colleges require you to apply directly on their college website. You will be required to enter your predicted grades so please have these available along with your personal information.

Once you have applied you will then hear from the college. This is to confirm your application and invite you to an interview (*over the phone or face to face*)








All colleges differ but it is likely that after your interview you will receive a conditional offer. You **MUST** accept your offer within 2 weeks of receiving it otherwise you will lose your place.




After you receive your GCSE results in August please send these to your chosen college.

**Remember you can apply to as many colleges as you like!**

## CAREER EVENTS CALENDAR 2025-26

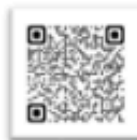


Provider	Dates / Times
<p><b>South Hampshire College Group</b>  <a href="https://shcg.ac.uk/">https://shcg.ac.uk/</a>                      Check website for later dates</p> 	<p>Southampton: Tuesday 21 October / 5pm – 7pm                      Eastleigh: Wednesday 22 October/ 5pm – 7pm                      Fareham: Tuesday 14 October/ 5pm – 7pm                      Check for CEMAST &amp; CETC Later                      (Register online)</p>
<p><b>Itchen College</b>  <a href="http://www.itchen.ac.uk">www.itchen.ac.uk</a></p> 	<p>Thursday 9 October 2025: 5pm – 8pm                      Saturday 11 October 2025: 10am – 1pm                      Wednesday 29 April 2026: 5.30pm – 7.30pm                      (Register online)</p>
<p><b>Richard Taunton Sixth Form College</b>  <a href="http://www.richardtaunton.ac.uk">www.richardtaunton.ac.uk</a></p> 	<p>Wednesday 8 October 2025: 6pm – 8pm                      Wednesday 19 November 2025: 6pm-8pm                      Thursday 14 May 2026: 6pm-8pm                      (Register online)</p>
<p><b>Totton College</b>  <a href="http://www.totton.ac.uk">www.totton.ac.uk</a></p> 	<p>Tuesday 14 October 2025: 5.30pm – 7.30pm                      Thursday 6 November 2025: 5.30pm – 7.30pm                      Monday 2 March 2026: 5.30pm – 7.30pm                      Tuesday 16 June 2026: 5.30pm – 7.30pm                      (Register online)</p>
<p><b>Sparsholt College</b>  <a href="http://www.sparsholt.ac.uk">www.sparsholt.ac.uk</a></p> 	<p>Saturday 4 October 2025: 10am – 4pm                      (Register online)</p>
<p><b>Barton Peveril Sixth Form College</b>  <a href="http://www.barton-peveril.ac.uk">www.barton-peveril.ac.uk</a></p> 	<p>Wednesday 24 September 2025                      Thursday 25 September 2025                      Time slots for both evenings (50+ tickets available for both evenings)                      4.30pm – 5.15pm: 5.30pm – 6:15pm:                      6:30pm – 7.15pm: 7.30 – 8:15pm                      (Book date and time online)</p>
<p><b>Brockenhurst College (register online)</b>  <a href="http://www.brock.ac.uk">www.brock.ac.uk</a></p> 	<p><b>Ultima Beauty and Complementary Therapies</b>                      Wednesday 22 October 2025 4.30pm – 7pm  <b>General Open Events</b>                      Saturday 27 September 2025: 09.30pm – 2pm                      Saturday 18 October 2025: 09:30am – 2pm                      Saturday 9 November 2025: 09:30am – 1.30pm  <b>Marchwood Construction &amp; Marine Tech Centre</b>                      Wednesday 5 November 2025                      (Register online)</p>

<b>St Annes Sixth Form College</b> <a href="http://www.stannes6th.uk">www.stannes6th.uk</a>		Thursday 09 October 2025: 6pm – 8pm
<b>Bitterne Park Sixth Form College</b> <a href="http://www.bitterneparksixthform.org.uk">www.bitterneparksixthform.org.uk</a>		Wednesday 15 October 2025: 4.30pm – 7pm
<b>SETA Engineering Apprenticeships</b> <a href="http://www.setatraining.co.uk">www.setatraining.co.uk</a>		Taster Day (currently full: register for cancellations) Saturday 18 October 2025: various times between 10am & 1pm (Register online)

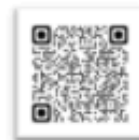


**REMEMBER YOU CAN VISIT AND APPLY TO AS MANY COLLEGES AS YOU LIKE, YOU DON'T NEED TO MAKE UP YOUR MIND UNTIL AUGUST 2026, YOU CAN ONLY STUDY AT ONE THOUGH.**



Fancy an apprenticeship? Have college as a back-up whilst you're exploring!

Register on: [www.apprenticeships.gov.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk)



**Still not sure what to do? Here's a couple of websites that could help you can then discuss with your career's adviser, details below:**

**FLYING START**

You can find out about yourself, what you love and what motivates you: post-16 options: Virtual college tours and study skills



[Flying Start - Southern Universities Network \(sunoutreach.org\)](http://sunoutreach.org)

**Post-16 Choices:**

You can find out all about your post-16 options including T-Levels, Apprenticeships and colleges



[Post-16 Choices \(southampton.gov.uk\)](http://southampton.gov.uk)



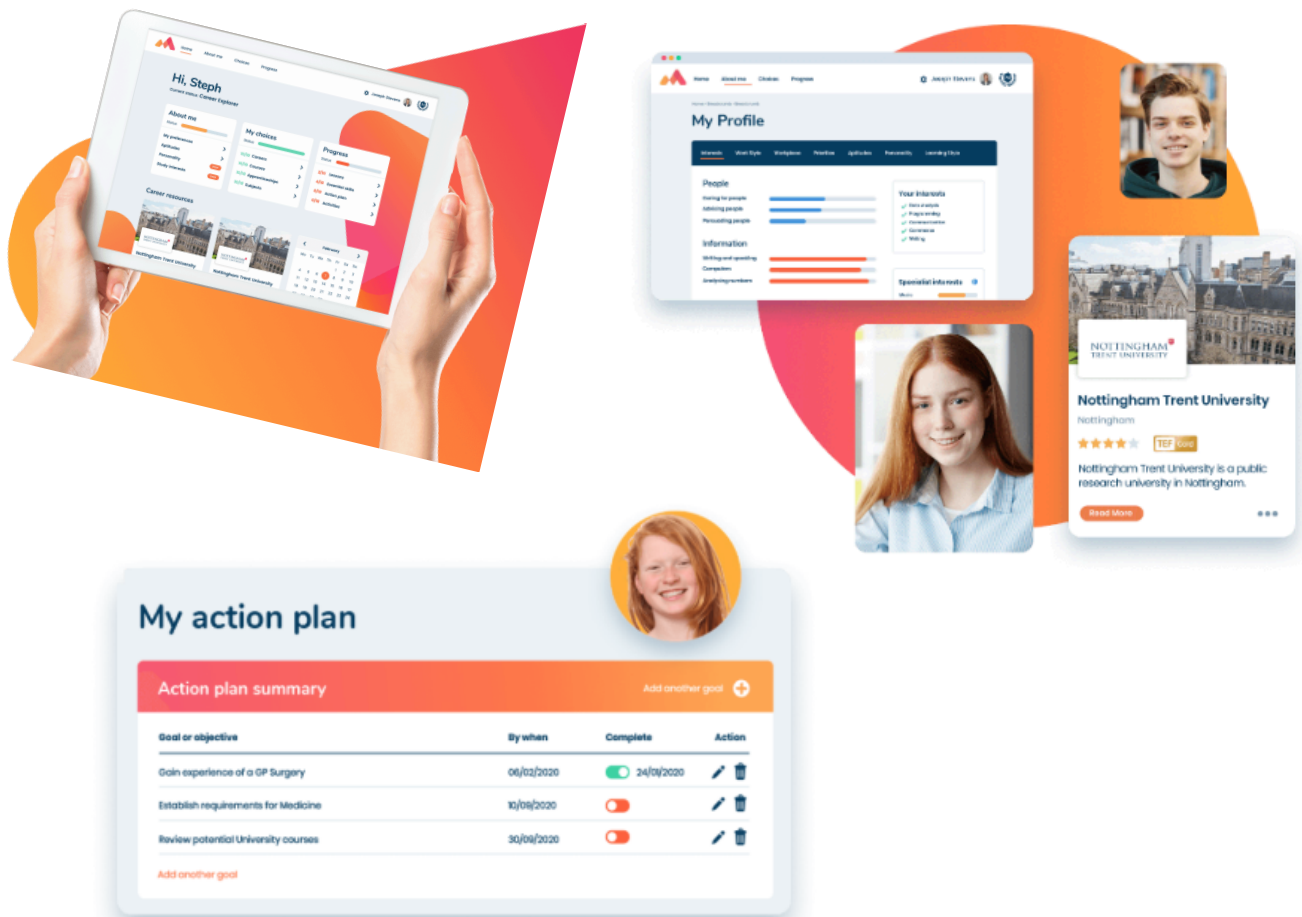


# Morrisby Profile

All of our students have access to our external careers platform. The Morrisby profile works by using a series of psychometric assessments and questionnaires that delivers personalised guidance to thousands of young people worldwide every year.

All students signed up in YR10 and should have their usernames and passwords - [Careers Advice & Guidance Online Platform - Morrisby](#)

If they are struggling to access the platform please let careers know as soon as possible.



# SKILLS FOR LIFE APPRENTICESHIPS

## Useful Websites

[What is an apprenticeship?](#)

[Become an apprentice: How apprenticeships work - GOV.UK](#)

[Amazing Apprenticeships | Explore Vocational Education & Apprenticeship Opportunities](#)

[What are apprenticeships? Everything you need to know and how you can apply - The Education Hub](#)

## Local Apprenticeship Providers

SETA Apprenticeships - [SETA - Training for Industry - Apprenticeships and Engineering Courses](#)

Steve Willis Apprenticeships - [Steve Willis Training: Gas, Oil, Electrical & Renewables Training](#)

PETA - [Corporate Training & Apprenticeships in Portsmouth | PETA Ltd](#)

ARMY - [Army Apprenticeships - Learning & Development | Army Jobs](#)

ROYAL NAVY - [Royal Navy | Apprenticeships](#)

*\*If your child is interested in apprenticeships please ask them to book in with Roxanne for a 1-1 appointment.*





## British Army Insights: What Parents & Carers Need to Know

Is your child curious about joining the Army? This session will give you a clear and reassuring overview of the exciting opportunities available to young people through the British Army - whether they're considering their next steps after school, college, or looking for a meaningful career path.

Tuesday 21 October 2025  
18:00 - 19:00



Sign up here - [British Army Insights: What Parents & Carers Need to Know](#)

## ARMY CAREER CENTRES

If you've got questions about Army life or want to chat to someone about whether joining the Army is right for you, you can talk to one of our recruiters.

Find link here - [Your Local Army Careers Centres](#)

## Registration is now open for USA College Day 2025!

- *Students can meet 120+ American universities at this fair*
- *They can explore studying in the USA and discuss their options directly with admissions officers*
- *Register now for free tickets!*

*This free event provides students, parents and teachers with the unique opportunity to meet representatives from over 120 American universities and learn about the US admissions process from experts.*

- **Time:** *Friday 26 or Saturday 27 September 2025*
- **Venue:** *Kensington Events and Conference Centre, Kensington Town Hall (Hornton St, London W8 7NX)*
- **Tickets:** *must be booked in advance. FREE to those who register.*

Tickets can be found here - [USA College Day 2025 | Fulbright](#)



### What is USA College Day?

USA College Day offers students and parents the unique opportunity to meet with representatives from US universities in London. Held annually for more than 45 years, USA College Day is the largest American university fair in the UK and attracts more than 120 university exhibitors.

# Levels Explained

## Matching old and new GCSE grades

Old grading	New grading	
A*	9	The very top grade awarded to the highest scoring 20% (roughly) of those achieving grade 7. Fewer students will achieve 9 than achieved A*.
	8	Set at the mid-point between 7 and 9.
A	7	The proportion of students awarded grades 7-9 will be similar to the proportion who achieved an A or above in the old system.
B	6	
	5	This is the level considered to be a 'strong pass'.
C	4	A 'standard pass', roughly equivalent to a low C. The minimum grade you need to progress to A-level and similar courses. Check with your school or college as some will require higher entry grades.
D	3	
E	2	
F	1	
G	1	Awarded to roughly the same proportion of students who achieved a grade G in the old system.
U	U	

*If you are planning on doing an apprenticeship Or taking a BTEC course do you know which Level you should be on?*

*Traditional A-Levels are the same as a Level 3*

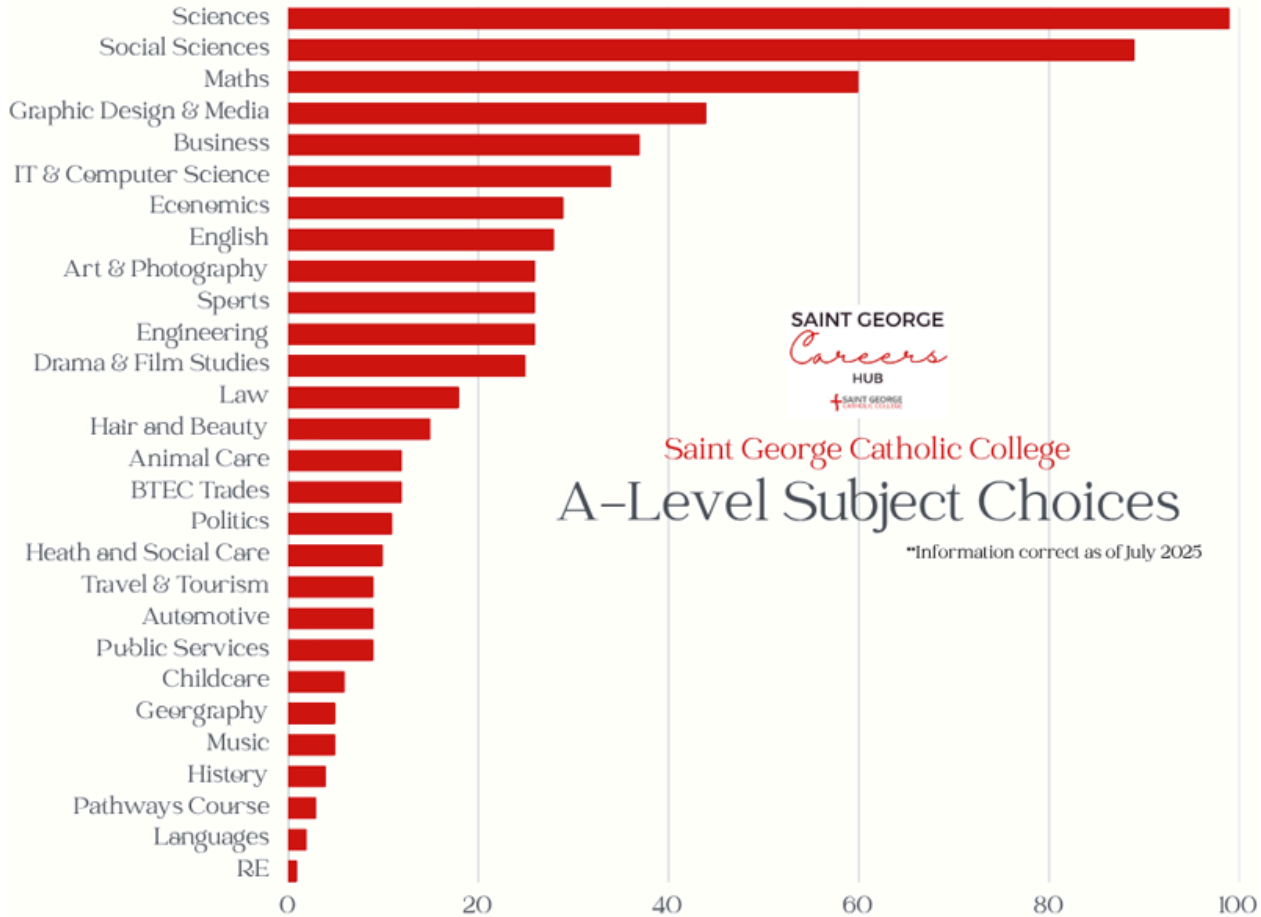
*Regardless of the level if you do NOT pass English and Maths GCSE you will have to resit this at college.*

## COLLEGE LEVELS EXPLAINED

LEVEL	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
SUPPORTING YOU TO GAIN THE SKILLS FOR PROGRESSION	LEARNING MORE ADVANCED KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS	PREPARING YOU FOR UNIVERSITY OR EMPLOYMENT
GCSE GRADES GRADES 3-1	GCSE GRADES GRADES 4-3	GCSE GRADES GRADES 9-4
1 YEAR	1 YEAR	2 YEARS

# 2025 Destination Data

*\*Most popular course choices for cohort 2025*



*\*Information correct as of July 2025*

