

Year 11 Careers Pack

A student & parent guide for 2026-2027



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 **Tuesday 29th September 2026** - we hope you can join us (invitation below)

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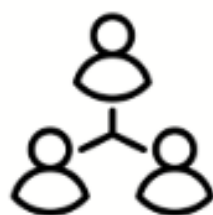


Saint George Catholic College

Careers Fair & Work Experience Launch

Year 11 Careers Fair – 6:30pm – 7pm

TUESDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 2026



FROM 6:30PM–7PM

Leaside Way, Southampton
SO16 3DQ

NO NEED TO BOOK!

- Explore different career options and industries
- Learn about college, sixth form, apprenticeships, and training routes
- Meet employers and ask questions about jobs
- Pick up free resources and career information



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 will be given a 1-1 careers appointment with Roxanne this year. The careers office is located in Rome building (next to the girls toilets)

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:

- Course and college choices
- Apprenticeships
- CV Writing / Interview Preparation / Personal Statements
- Transport applications
- College bursary & funding grants
- Boarding applications (if needed)
- Private College applications
- Signposting to mental health or financial services
- 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

Year 11 College 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 and Peter Symonds

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.

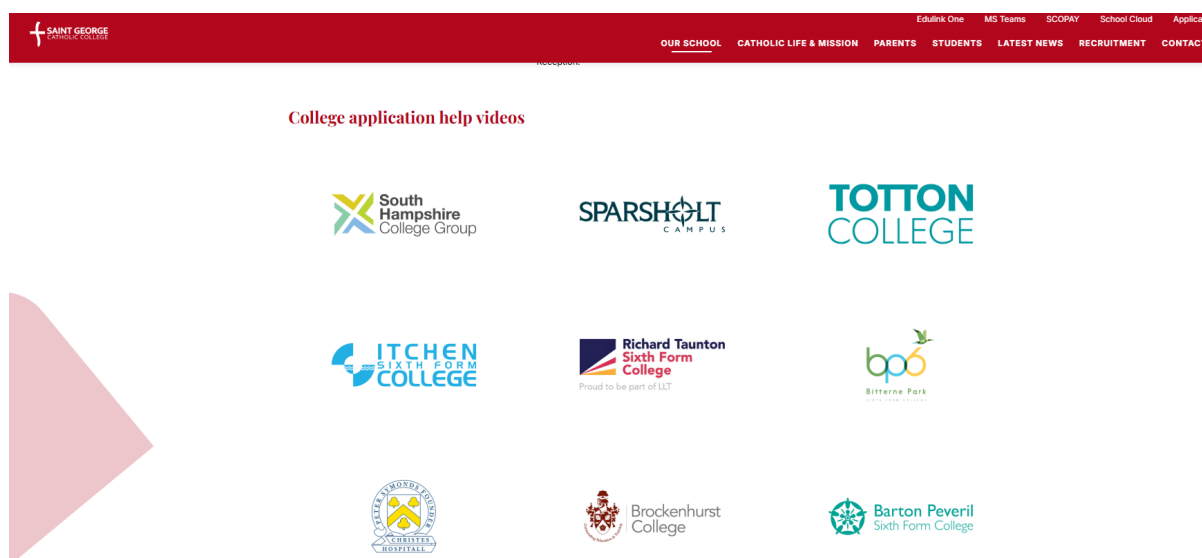
Once you have applied you will then hear from the college. This is to confirm your application and invite you to an interview (over the phone or face to face). All colleges differ but it is likely that after your interview you will receive a conditional offer.

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!

Year 11 Application Help Videos

Application help videos for local colleges can be found here - [Saint George Catholic College - Careers](#)



The screenshot shows the Saint George Catholic College website. The header is red with the college's name and logo on the left, and a navigation menu on the right including links for Edulink One, MS Teams, SCOPAY, School Cloud, and Applications. Below the header, the text "College application help videos" is displayed. A grid of nine college logos is shown, arranged in three rows and three columns. A large pink arrow points from the left towards the grid. The logos are: South Hampshire College Group, SPARSHOLT CAMPUS, TOTTON COLLEGE, ITCHEN SIXTH FORM COLLEGE, Richard Taunton Sixth Form College (Proud to be part of LLT), bps Bitterne Park, ST ANDREW'S COLLEGE, Brockenhurst College, and Barton Peveril Sixth Form College.

College application help videos

South Hampshire College Group

SPARSHOLT CAMPUS

TOTTON COLLEGE

ITCHEN SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

Richard Taunton Sixth Form College
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bps Bitterne Park

ST ANDREW'S COLLEGE

Brockenhurst College

Barton Peveril Sixth Form College

CAREER EVENTS CALENDAR 2026-27



Provider	Dates / Times
South Hampshire College Group https://shcg.ac.uk/ Check website for later dates	Southampton: Wednesday 21 October / 5pm – 7pm Eastleigh: Wednesday 13 October/ 5pm – 7pm Fareham: Thursday 15 October/ 5pm – 7pm CEMAST & CETC: Tuesday 10 November/ 5pm – 7pm (Register online)
Itchen College www.itchen.ac.uk	Thursday 8 October 2026: 5pm – 8pm Saturday 10 October 2026: 10am – 1pm Wednesday 28 April 2027: 5.30pm – 7.30pm (Register online)
Richard Taunton Sixth Form College www.richardtaunton.ac.uk	Wednesday 30 September 2026: 6pm – 8pm Tuesday 13 October 2026: 6pm-8pm Wednesday 21 April 2027: 6pm-8pm (Register online)
Totton College www.totton.ac.uk	Tuesday 13 October 2026: 5.30pm – 7.30pm Thursday 19 November 2026: 5.30pm – 7.30pm Monday 1 March 2027: 5.30pm – 7.30pm Tuesday 15 June 2027: 5.30pm – 7.30pm (Register online)
Sparsholt College www.sparsholt.ac.uk	Saturday 3 October 2026: 10am – 4pm Saturday 7 November 2026: 10am – 4pm Saturday 6 February 2027: 10am – 4pm Saturday 6 March 2027: 10am – 4pm Wednesday 28 April 2027: 5pm – 7.30pm Thursday 10 June 2027: 5pm – 7.30pm (Register online)
Barton Peveril Sixth Form College www.barton-peveril.ac.uk	Wednesday 23 September 2026 Thursday 24 September 2026 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 online)
Brockenhurst College (register online) www.brock.ac.uk	Main Campus Wednesday 30 September 2026: 5pm – 8pm Saturday 17 October 2026: 9am – 12pm Wednesday 21 October 2026: 5pm – 8pm Marchwood Campus Wednesday 4 November 2026: 4.30pm – 7pm

All dates are accurate at time of compilation, check providers for details

St Annes Sixth Form College www.stannes6th.uk 	Wednesday 7 October 2026: 6pm – 8pm (No booking necessary)
Bitterne Park Sixth Form College www.bitterneparksixthform.org.uk 	Wednesday 14 October 2026: 4pm – 6pm
Peter Symonds College Open Evening: Peter Symonds College 	Wednesday 30 September 2026: 5:30pm – 8:30pm Thursday 1 October 2026: 5:30pm – 8:30pm (Register online)
SETA Engineering Apprenticeships www.setatraining.co.uk 	Taster Day Saturday 7 November 2026: 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 2027, 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



Still not sure what to do? Here's a couple of websites that could help you can then discuss with an 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



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





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 in their school emails. Log in here - <https://www.morrisby.com/>

If your child is struggling to access the platform please let careers know as soon as possible.





Useful Websites

[Is an apprenticeship right for you?](#)

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

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

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

Local Apprenticeship Providers

SOUTH HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE GROUP - [Courses - SHCG | South Hampshire College Group](#)

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

Steve Willis Apprenticeships - [Gas, Electrical & Plumbing Training Courses | Steve Willis](#)

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

ARMY - [Army Apprenticeships & British Army Training | 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.

Find an Apprenticeship

[Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK](#)

GCSE Grades 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	2	
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.

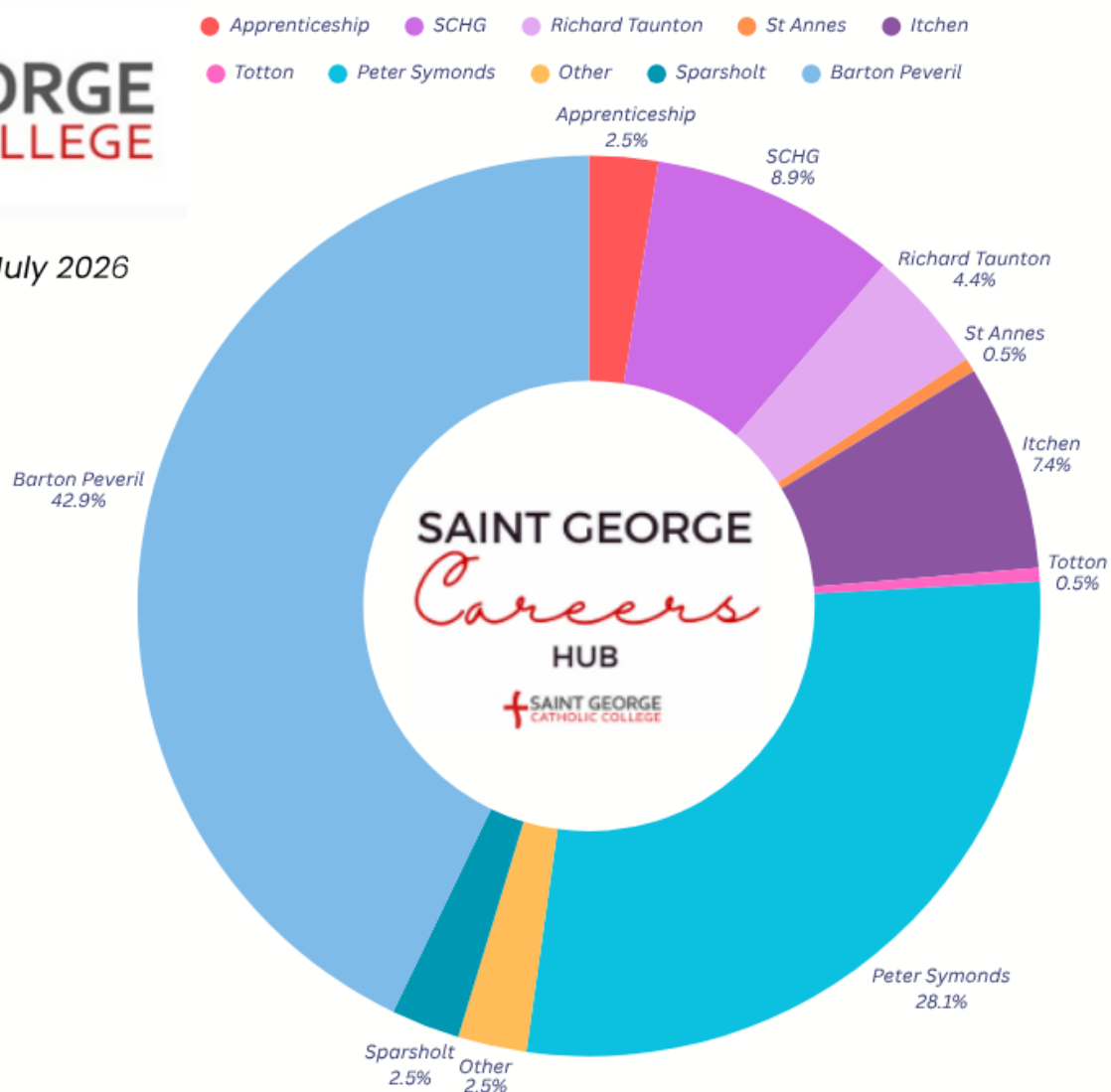
COLLEGE LEVELS EXPLAINED		
LEVEL	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
SUPPORTING YOU TO GAIN THE SKILLS FOR PROGRESSION	LEARNING MORE ADVANCED KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS	PREPARING YOU FOR UNIVERSITY OR EMPLOYMENT
GCSE GRADES GRADES 3-1	GCSE GRADES GRADES 4-3	GCSE GRADES GRADES 9-4
1 YEAR	1 YEAR	2 YEARS

2026 Destination Data

College Data

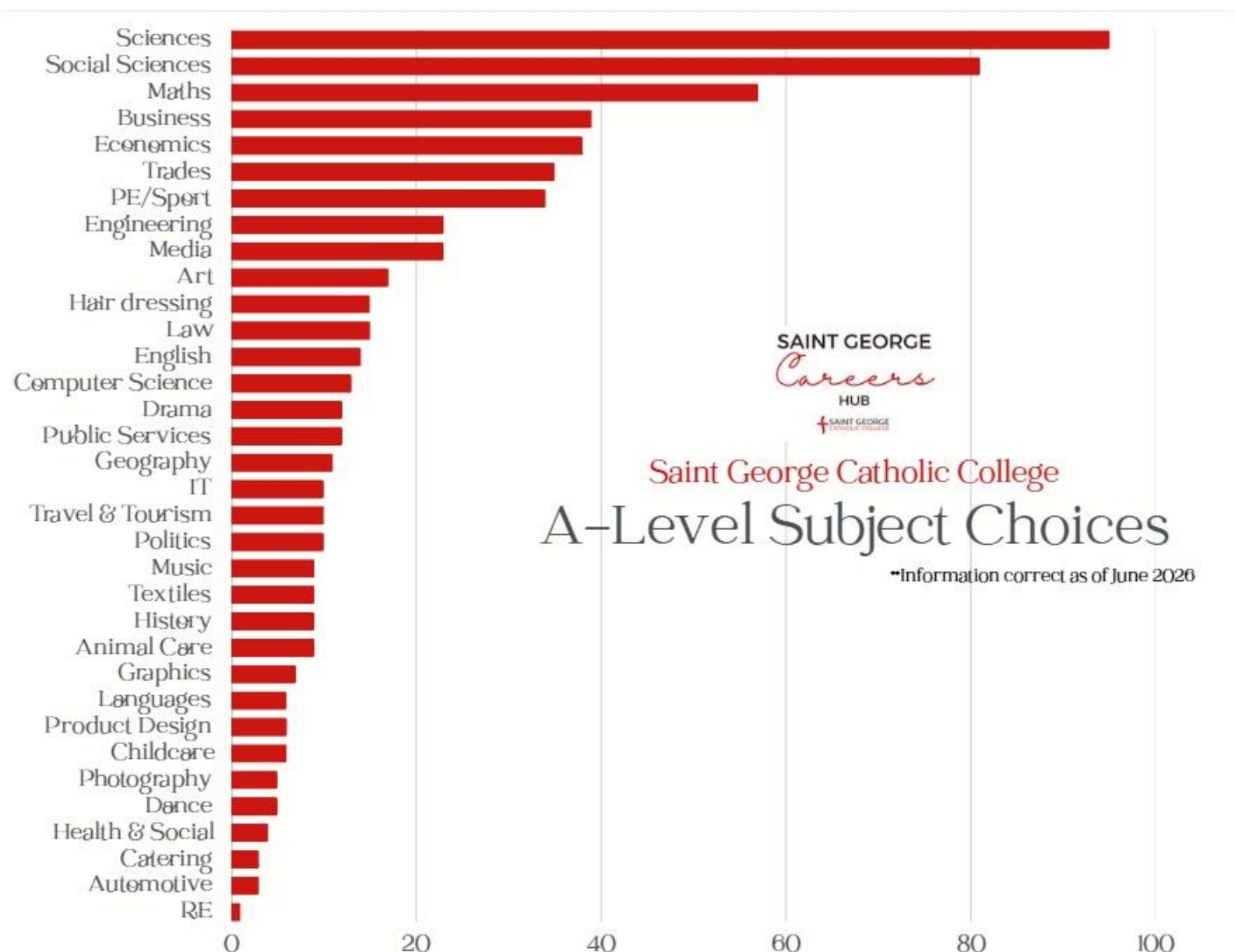


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2026 Destination Data

Course / Subject Data



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Levels Data

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