Key Stage Four Options 2024–2026

January 2024

Name:				

Class: _____

This is your only subject choice sheet. You must confirm your Key Stage 4 pathway (Gold, Green or Purple) and then choose the subjects you would like to study in that pathway based on the blocks provided. There is a Parent / Teacher meeting on Tuesday 30th January during which you may discuss your child's choices with a teacher and the careers department.

Read all the information in the **GCSE options prospectus** on the St Louis website http://www.stlouis.org.uk/options.php , as well as the following before making your pathway and subject choices:

- 1. All students <u>must</u> study Religious Education, English, Mathematics and a Science.
- 2. Students on the **Gold Pathway** will study Level 2 Applied Science and Level 2 RE which are equivalent to 1 GCSE each. Students will also study Essential Skills Maths / English alongside GCSE English and Maths.
- Students on the Purple and Green Pathways can choose Double Award Science (equivalent to 2 GCSE subjects) OR Single Award Science (equivalent to 1 GCSE Subject)
- 4. English Literature is a mandatory subject within the **Purple Pathway** only. By choosing to study English literature, you will be doing 10 GCSEs.
- 5. All pupils will have non-exam PE on their timetable. PE is also available as a GCSE and Level 2 Option.
- 6. It is recommended that students study a <u>language</u> other than English.

Additional Information

- You can only choose one "IT" option the OCN NI Level 2 in IT **OR** GCSE Digital Technologies (Multimedia) **OR** GCSE Digital Technologies (Programming).
- You can only choose one "Business" option The BTEC in Business **OR** GCSE Business
- You can only choose one "Food" option Occupational Studies Contemporary Cuisine **OR** GCSE Food and Nutrition.
- You can only choose one "Childcare" option Occupational Studies Childcare **OR** GCSE Childcare
- You can only choose either Travel and Tourism **OR** GCSE Geography.
- All subjects offered are GCSE unless marked as "Level 2" which have GCSE Equivalencies.
- Universities may not accept Occupational Studies or some Level 2 courses as equivalent to a GCSE, though they will consider it as part of your academic profile.

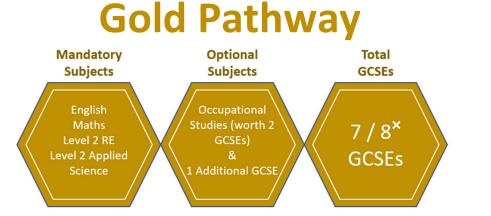
I have read the information, what do I do now?

Step 1 – Confirm the pathway you will be following: Gold Pathway, Green Pathway or Purple Pathway carefully considering your interests, career ideas, skills, and abilities. Check carefully which subjects are not available in each pathway.

Step 2 – Choose which additional subjects you want to study from the blocks shown within your chosen pathway.

Step 3 – Pupil and Parent sign and date the sheet for your chosen pathway and hand to Mr Brown.

Please note: Where a subject is oversubscribed, for example subjects such as Technology and Engineering are not allowed more than 20 pupils, pupils will be chosen on a "first come first served" basis taking into account additional factors including aptitude for the subject.



You first need to decide which Occupational Studies course you want to do – In school or at the SRC. The additional sheet shows which courses are available at the **SRC**. The Occupational Studies studied in school are along the right hand side below.

If you study Occupational Studies at the SRC **OR** in school, you will have an academic profile of 7+ GCSEs or equivalent.

Please first confirm whether you are going to the SRC or remaining in school to study occupational Studies:

Destination choice	Preference (Please tick)	Destination choice	Preferer (Please tick)
Study Occupational Subjects at the SRC		Study Occupational Studies in school	
<u>Everyone</u> on the Gold Pathway must no ONE additional subject from the <u>left-ha</u> below.		Those studying Occupational Studies <u>in sc</u> also pick two from the right-hand block	
Pick one subject from below	Tick One	Occupational studies in school	Tick Tw
Learning for Life and Work *		Pick <u>ONE</u> subject on the left, then <u>TWO</u> from below	
OCN NI Level 2 in IT (Level 2) *		Occ. Studies Contemporary Cuisine OR	
BTEC Level 2 Travel and Tourism *		Occ. Studies Childcare	
Prince's Trust (Level 2) *		Occ. Studies Specialist Crafts OR	
		Occ. Studies Sports Leadership	1

If you choose to go to the SRC: Use the **SFC** sheet to choose two occupational subjects you would like to study at the SRC. You must tick two subjects inside one block. E.g., two subjects within the Business and Services block or two subjects within Construction etc.

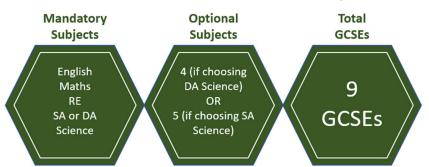
* Next to a subject indicates a subject with 50% or more coursework as part of the assessment. ^X Pupils may get up to 2 GCSE equivalents if they study Princes Trust, taking the total to 8 GCSEs

\$ Princes Trust will be limited to a maximum of 15 pupils. Pupils on the Gold pathway will be given priority with all places thereafter awarded on a first-come-first-served basis.

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Green Pathway



First choose a science option, Single or Double Award Science. If you chose DA Science you must tick this in Block A and Block B.

Lastly, select the other subjects you would like to study by ticking one subject only in each remaining block. Blue sections are for subjects where you must make an either / or choice.

Block A	Tick	Block B	Tick	Block C	Tick
Double Award Science OR		Double Award Science (tick A and B)		Further Maths 🕁	
Single Award Science		Learning for Life and Work *	Child Development *		
		OCN NI Level 2 in IT *		French	
		BTEC Level 2 Travel & Tourism *		PE *	
		BTEC Level 2 Business Studies *		History	
		Prince's Trust (Level 2) * ^{\$}		Moving Image Arts *	

Block D	Tick	Block E	Tick	Block F	Tick
Drama *		Digital Technologies (Programming) <u>OR</u>		Food and Nutrition* OR	
BTEC Level 2 Engineering *		Digital Technologies (Multimedia)		Occ. Studies Contemporary Cuisine *+	
Geography		Geography		Art *	
History		Motor Vehicle Studies *		Business Studies	
Spanish		Music		Construction *	
Technology *		Technology *		Irish	
Occ. Studies Childcare ^{~*} + OR		Occ. Studies Specialist Crafts ^{~*+} OR			
Occ. Studies Contemporary Cuisine ^{~*} +		Occ. Studies Sports Leadership~*+			

All subjects are offered as a GCSE. GCSE / Level 2 equivalent subjects are indicated below and include BTECs, Princes Trust and Occupational Studies. These subjects are entirely coursework based.

These Occupational Studies GCSE Equivalents are available to both the Gold (internal Occ. Studies only) and Green Pathways.

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• Pupils should have consistently high marks in Mathematics at Key Stage 3 to opt for Further Maths.

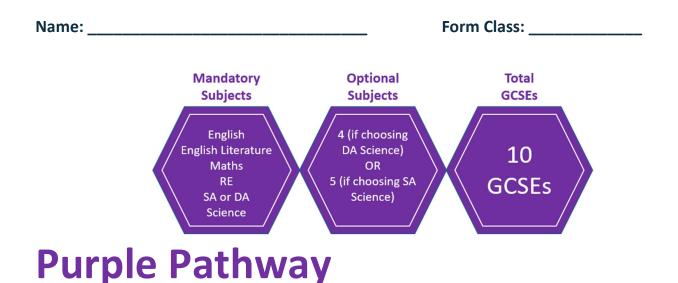
+ These subjects are part of the Occupational Studies suite of qualifications and will be taught in St Louis.

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First, by choosing the Purple Pathway you have decided that you want to study **GCSE English Literature** alongside English Language based on your ability, interest, and career ideas. You will be studying 10 GCSEs in total.

Now choose a science option, Single or Double Award Science. If you chose DA Science you must tick this in Block A <u>and</u> Block B.

Lastly, select the other subjects you would like to study by ticking <u>one</u> subject <u>only</u> in each remaining block. Blue sections are for subjects where you must make an either / or choice.

Block A	Tick	Block B	Tick	Block C	Tick
Double Award Science OR		Double Award Science (tick A and B)		Further Maths 🔶	
Single Award Science		OCN NI Level 2 in IT *		Child Development *	
		Learning for Life and Work *		French	
		BTEC Level 2 Travel & Tourism *		PE *	
		BTEC Level 2 Business Studies *		History	
				Moving Image Arts *	

Block D	Tick	Block E	Tick	Block F	Tick
Drama *		Digital Technologies (Computing) OR		Food and Nutrition* OR	
BTEC Level 2 Engineering *		Digital Technologies (Multimedia)		Occ. Studies Contemporary Cuisine *+	
Geography		Geography		Art *	
History		Motor Vehicle Studies *		Business Studies	
Spanish		Music		Construction *	
Technology *		Technology *		Irish	

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+ Next to Occ. Studies Contemporary Cuisine – this subject is part of the Occupational Studies suite of qualifications and will be taught in St Louis.

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