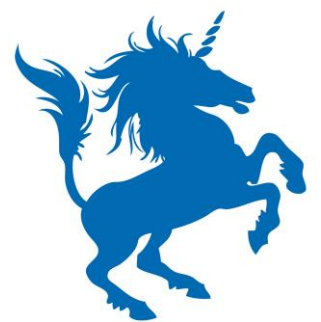


Passmores Academy

Year 9 - Options Evening



22 March 2023

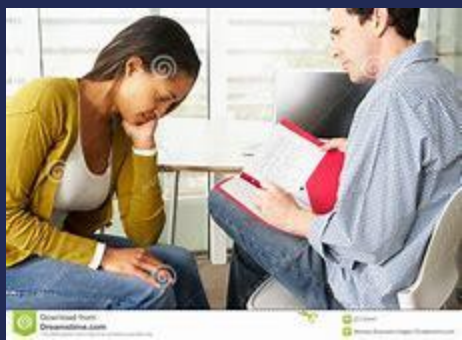


The average person changes jobs on average, **12 times during their career**

What are your plans after Passmores?

Do you know?

Many jobs you may do in the future don't exist yet!



Problem solving

Practical

Interpretation

Collaboration

Data handling

Creativity

Analysis

Debating

Reasoning

Research

Listening

Evaluation

Some advice about choices.....

Give yourself the best chances for the future, pick a balance

Don't pick subjects because of a teacher

Don't pick subjects because your friends are doing them

Don't make all of your decisions tonight, you have time!

Pick subjects you **ENJOY**

Pick subjects you are **GOOD** at

Pick subjects which play to your **STRENGTHS**

Pick subjects which **DEVELOP** particular skills

**What does Year
10 and 11 look
like?**

What types of courses could you choose?

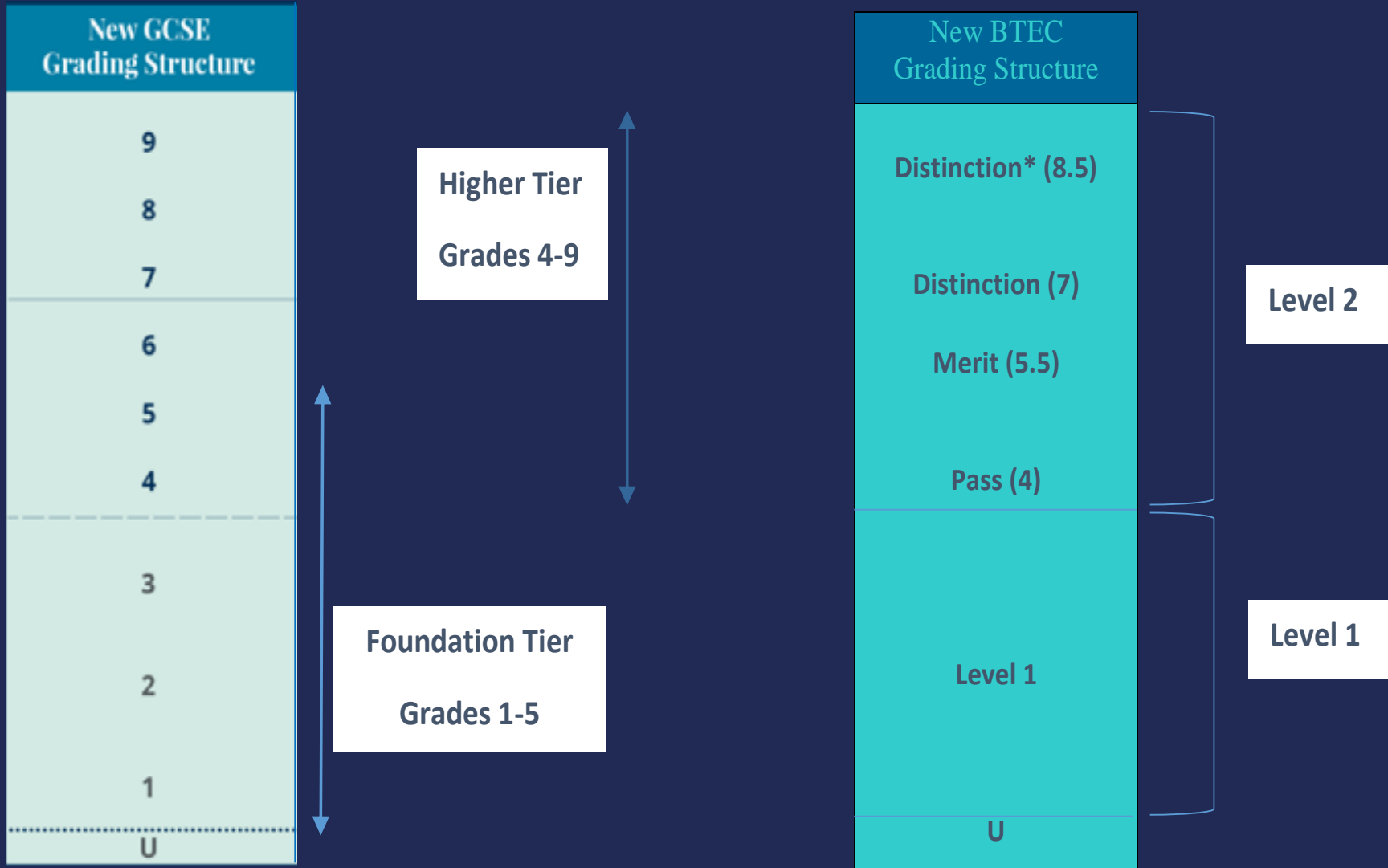
GCSEs – Linear courses

- **Exams at the end of 2 years**
- **Knowledge and skills developed over the 2 years**
- **Memory and retention**

Vocational Courses

- **Coursework**
- **Exams – vary depending on the course**
- **Ongoing assessment**

Grading system



Compulsory subjects with exams

- **English Language**
- **English Literature**
- **Maths**
- **Combined Science (2 GCSEs)**

Compulsory subjects with no exams

- **PE**
- **i-Future**

Options subjects – **You MUST pick 1 from**

- **Computer Science**
- **Geography**
- **History**
- **French**
- **Spanish**
- **Triple Science** (this replaces combined science and counts as 3 GCSEs – Biology, Chemistry, Physics)

Then **3 more** from...

- Art & Design – Fine Art*
- Art & Design – Textiles*
- Art & Design – 3D Design (D&T)*
- Art & Design – Photography
- Citizenship
- Computer Science
- Drama
- French
- Geography
- History
- Music
- Psychology
- Spanish
- Triple Science (3 separate GCSEs - Biology, Chemistry, Physics)

*Only 1 from these 3 courses

Or these Vocational courses..

- Child Development
- Creative Media*
- Creative & Technical Enterprise*
- Performing & Creative Arts (Dance)
- Hospitality & Catering
- Sport

*Only 1 from these 2 courses

Please also select a **reserve choice** – why?

- Low numbers
- Timetable clash

The Ebacc – English Baccalaureate

What are the Ebacc subjects?

- **English Language**
- **English Literature**
- **Mathematics**
- **Science**
- **A humanities subject (Geography or History)**
- **A language (French or Spanish)**

What is the Ebacc?

- **Not a qualification itself**
- **Valued by top universities**
- **Russell Group**
- **The Sutton Trust**

How to complete your form?

SIMS App

- “How to....” guide sent
- Tutor time sessions (Thu & Fri)

Other advice

- Assembly was on Monday
- Speak to your teachers
- Look at your data over Easter
- Mrs Moore (SENCO)
- Mrs Kay (Careers)

How to log in to your SIMS Student account to access Options Online

1) You will need to sign into your school email address. An email as shown on the right from noreply@sims.co.uk will be sent to your school email address inviting you to join SIMS Student. Click the green “Accept Invitation” button.

2) On the next screen, click “Register with an External Account”.

3) Click the Microsoft logo.

4) You will then see the screen that is shown below on the left, your name will be in the box. You will need to go back to the email from noreply@sims.co.uk and copy and paste the code (circled in red below on the right) into the invitation code box, then click “Register”.

Passmore Academy invites you to SIMS Student

Hi Simon,
You're invited to start using SIMS Student for your class and school calendar. Please follow the steps below to get started. Check the details and make sure you accept this invitation and register within 90 days.

If the button shows doesn't work, copy and paste the following link into your browser: <https://registration.sims.co.uk>

Should you need to email it, your personal invite code is: TC8YVAM7HF

Once you're registered you can sign in using your web browser at www.simsstudent.co.uk

You can also use the app for convenience when you're out and about.

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Alternatively you may complete the registration using an External Account.

Register with an External Account

Secured by SIMS ID
ESS Hosted Services: Check Service Status

Register your account for SIMS products

Username
(This is usually an email address)

Password
Remember

Show Password

Forgot Password?

Sign In

OK

Next Steps.....

Tonight - Carousel of sessions

- **Please stick to the allocated slots**
- **Speak to staff**
- **Speak to Passmores existing students**
- **Don't make decisions quickly**

Dates

19th April – Year 9 Parents'/Carers' Evening

28th April – Options Deadline (Online form only)