



Year 9 Option Choices

This is an important and exciting time for Year 9 students with the opportunity to make decisions about subject choices. Some students may have an idea of what they would like to do in the future, many will be undecided and this is understandable. We encourage students to start thinking about what interests them, what subjects they enjoy, what they are good at, how they like to learn and to consider how these preferences may relate to possible future career options. To help with this exploration we have listed a number of useful websites and encourage students to spend time exploring these resources as well as the excellent resources in the Careers Library in the LRC.



iCould.com provides lots of really useful resources from video clips, quizzes as well as useful articles such as choosing options <http://icould.com/article/choices-at-14-choosing-your-options/>



Plotr provides information to explore and discovery a variety of career options; there are in-depth career profiles, videos, games and a whole section on GCSE options

<https://www.plotr.co.uk/career-choices/school/gcse-options-advice-guide/>

The National Careers Service provides an outline of most careers and under the job profiles section it lists GCSE requirements. Under the 13-16 tab there is a whole section relating to career choices, see link for information about GCSE options:

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/youngpeople/Pages/Youngpeople.aspx>



Useful Information to guide parents in supporting students' choices and decision making:

<http://www.parentalguidance.org.uk/making-choices/making-subject-choices-at-age-1314>



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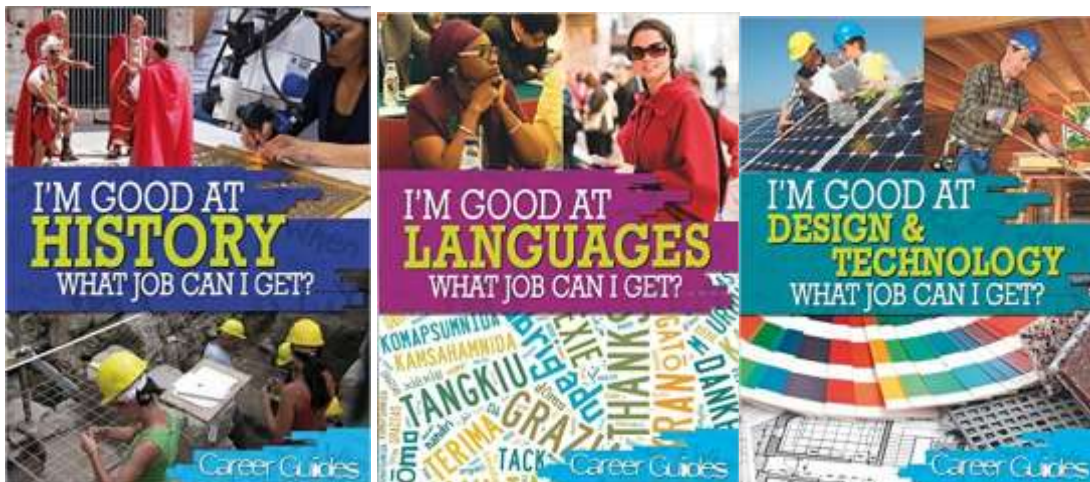
Brightside Knowledge - Provides lots of information in particular read, 'GCSE's explained' and 'what subjects should I choose for GCSE?' See link below:

<http://www.brightknowledge.org/knowledge-bank/education-pathways/year-9-11/the-lowdown-on-gcse>



Visit Future Morph for information about taking science and maths at Key Stage 4 and beyond. See the 11-13 tab <http://www.futuremorph.org/11-13/>

Visit the Careers Library in the LRC for a wide range of career resources such as these guides below which can help with subject choices:



Please contact Mrs Francis if you want to discuss any of these resources further or anything related to careers, options or future decision making. Just pop into the Careers office, top floor of the Vocational Centre. T: 01276 709245 / E: efrancis@tomlinscoteschool.com Twitter @tomlinscareers

There is a Career Drop in every Wednesday lunchtime in the Careers Library within the LRC, just drop in.

Remember Careers Day: **Tuesday, 7th February 2017 13.45 for Year 9 and then open to all students and parents from 15.30-17.30**