

This booklet supports advice and guidance around the study pathways available to students in year 8 2016.

# Year 8 Study Pathways

Student Name

Tutor Group

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## OPTIONS SUBJECT INFORMATION

### PATHWAYS

We recognise that every young person is different and as a mixed ability community school our student population reflects all abilities and interests. We have tried to put in place a system of Pathways that will allow students to follow their interests and talents but still have appropriate choices available for Post 16 study.

**THREE PATHWAYS:** Triple Science, Core One and Core Two will all support students' progress into A Level or BTEC Level 3 Post 16 and then onto University. The Triple Science and Core 1 Pathways are designed for supporting progress into more aspirational Universities such as Oxford, Cambridge and the Russell Group and generally more academic study. Students on these Pathways must also choose a minimum of 1 or 2 EBacc subjects from the list:

1. History
2. Geography
3. French
4. Latin
5. Spanish
6. Turkish
7. Computer Science

The English Baccalaureate is a group of subjects that the current government regard as important for students to follow at GCSE. This is in part seen as preparation for further study post 16 where there is a degree of overlap with the A Level facilitating subjects for university entrance. The percentage of students studying these subjects will be a part of the measuring judgement on the school.

### The Triple Science Pathway

1. The Triple Science Pathway is where students will study Biology, Chemistry and Physics: this is the recommended pathway for young people who think, even at this stage, that they might want to go on to study Medicine, Veterinary Science, any aspect of Engineering, or might want to be involved in higher study in Maths or Science. Students also need to choose at least one of the EBacc subjects to ensure that they have access to other supporting subjects at A Level.
  - a. They then have a free choice of the two subjects from different blocks
  - b. Students will generally have left year 6 with Level 4a or Level 5+; you should have minimum working assessments of Level 5 in English and Maths, and level 6 in Science.

English Lang	English Lit	Maths	Single Science		Triple Science	EBacc 1	Subject 3	Subject 4
			Science1	Science2				
1	2	3	4	5	Any block	Any block	Any block	Any block

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### THE CORE ONE PATHWAY

2. The Core One Pathway is for students who know that they want to go to University but are unsure what they might want to study. This is a broad academic pathway where students will study Trilogy Science (Science Core and Additional), a minimum of two of the EBacc subjects then any 2 subjects from other blocks. It is still possible to go onto an A Level Science course

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from this Pathway as long as students achieve a grade 7-9 (A or A\* current) in the GCSE Core and Additional Science.

- a. Students should have working assessments of Level 5 in English, Maths and one of the EBACC subjects as a minimum.

English Lang	English Lit	Maths	Trilogy		EBacc 1	EBacc 2	Subject 3	Subject 4
			Science	Science				
1	2	3	4	5	Any block	Any block	Any block	Any block

## THE CORE TWO PATHWAY

- a. This pathway has a wider choice of subjects which will support entrance to universities. The pathway also supports applications for applied and practical subjects such as Art and Design, Theatre Studies, Drama, Sport and Sports Science and the different aspects of Music, but equally will support students getting into any appropriate degree choice, subject to their GCSE results.

English Lang	English Lit	Maths	Core Science	Additional Science	EBacc 1	Subject 2	Subject 3	Subject 4
1	2	3	4	5	Any block	Any Block	Any Block	Any Block

## THE SUPPORTED STUDY PATHWAY

3. The supported Pathway is for young people that have had support in classes throughout their time in school and where we feel that they cannot successfully complete a GCSE or BTEC Course at L2 (grade 4 to 9 at GCSE) and where we feel that there progression post 16 will be supported by a more appropriate course, hopefully into the Sixth Form at SNS. Students will generally have arrived with assessments from year six recorded as Level 2 or B and will still have assessments in Level 2 or low Level 3.

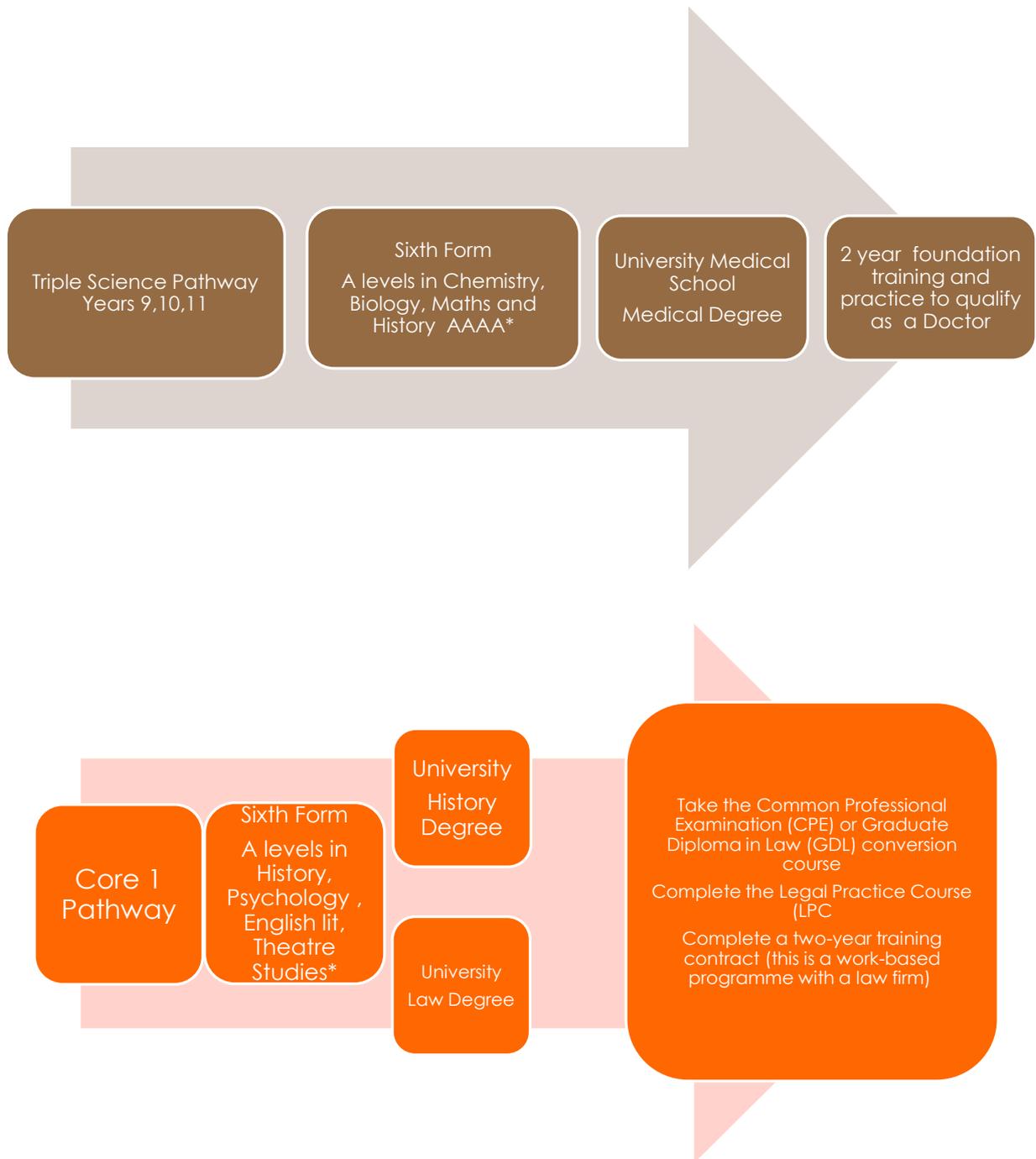
This is a relatively simple way of looking at progression pathways into university. There are many other factors that need to be taken into account but the single most important one of these is the final GCSE results. It is these grades that will ultimately determine the subjects students are allowed to study in the Sixth Form: the more grades A\*, A or new grades 9 to 7, the greater the chance the young person has of being successful in applying to university and particularly in applying to a top 30 University.

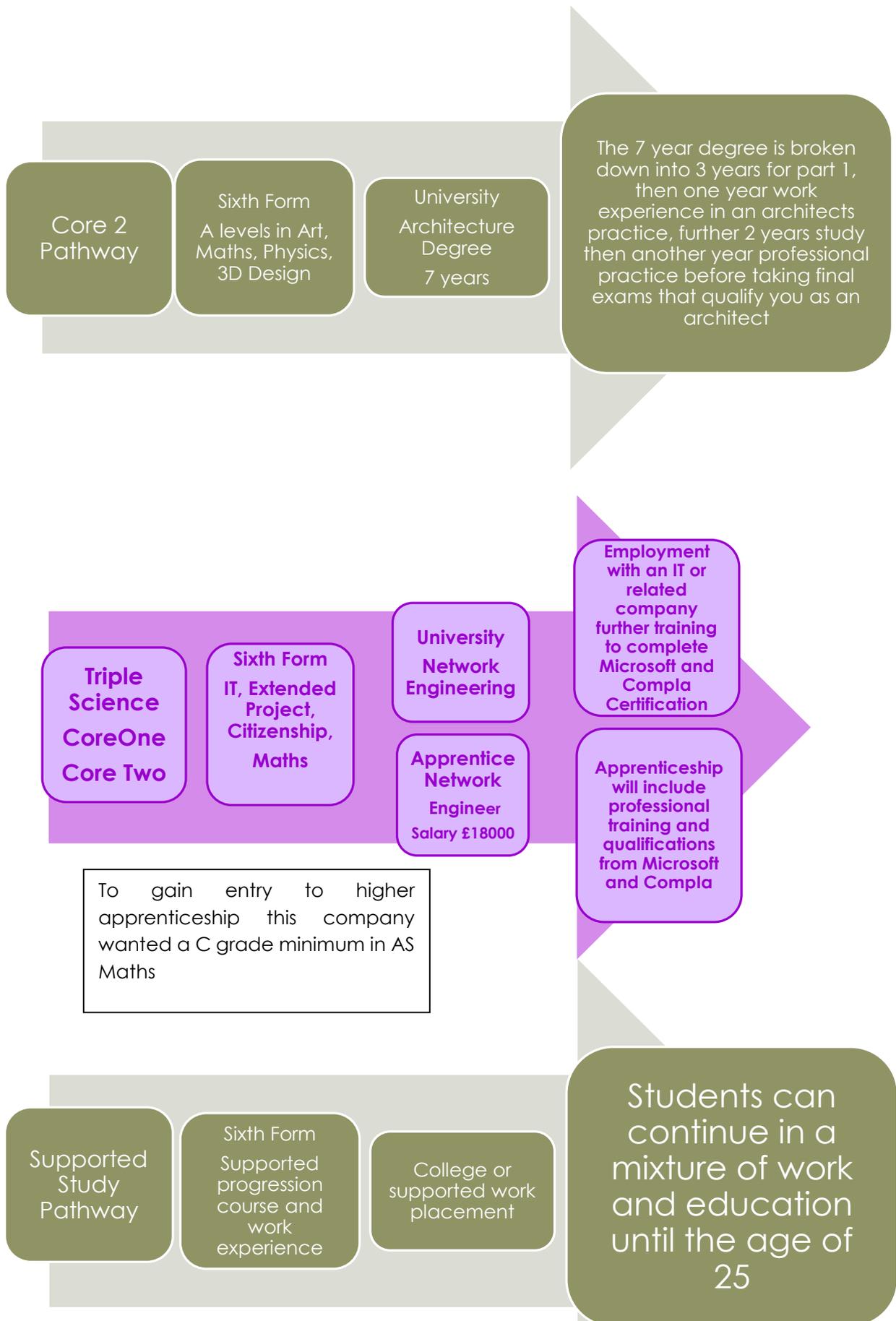
To see the Stoke Newington Sixth Form course offer information go to:

<http://www.sns.hackney.sch.uk/Sixth-Form/Admissions/>

**Below are some examples of academic and career paths**

**Examples of Education Progression Pathways**





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## The Triple Science Pathway Year 8 ONLY

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2. You must be at level 6 or above in your assessments in Science and at least L5 in English and Maths
  - a. You can choose the Triple Science in any block but you must also choose at least one Ebacc (Green) subject in one of the other blocks.

Remember the Triple Science and Ebacc subjects can be from any block.

## THE CORE ONE PATHWAY

1. The Core One Pathway for all students who know that they want to go to University but are unsure what they might want study. This is a broad academic pathway where students will study Science Trilogy, two of the EBacc subjects and any two subjects from other blocks. It is still possible to go onto an A Level Science course from this Pathway as long as students achieve a grade 6-9 pass in the GCSE Core and Additional Science.
2. You should be at a L5 or above in your assessments in English and Maths and one of the EBACC subjects.

## THE CORE 2 PATHWAY

1. This pathway has a wider choice of subjects and will support entrance to universities for more applied and practical subjects such as Art and Design, Theatre Studies, Drama, Sport and Sports Science and the different aspects of Music but equally will support students getting into any appropriate degree choice, subject to their GCSE results.

## THE SUPPORTED STUDY PATHWAY

1. The supported Pathway is for young people that have had support in classes throughout their time in school and where we feel that they cannot successfully complete a GCSE or BTEC Course at L1 and where we feel that there progression post 16 will be supported by a more appropriate course, hopefully into the Sixth Form at SNS.
2. Generally students will have come to Stoke Newington in year 7 with very low Level 2 or a B and will still be getting assessments at Level 2 or low level 3.

The subjects at the bottom of the grid are for the Supported Study Pathway but students can choose other subjects if they feel that they are more appropriate for them: this will need to be done in discussion with their teachers. We reserve the right to change these if we feel that they are not appropriate.

**It is really important that you make the best choices for your own future. The school reserves the right to make changes to choices where we think that they are inappropriate or when necessary make use of your second choice subjects.**

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Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4
Triple Science	Triple Science	Triple Science	Triple Science
History GCSE	History GCSE	Art GCSE	Art GCSE
Spanish GCSE	Geography GCSE	Drama GCSE	Drama GCSE
French GCSE	French GCSE	Music GCSE	Resistant Materials GCSE
Geography GCSE	Latin GCSE	Citizenship GCSE	Media GCSE
Turkish GCSE	Spanish GCSE	Graphics GCSE	Textiles GCSE
BTEC Construction	Computer Science GCSE	French GCSE	Geography GCSE
Art & Photography GCSE	Music GCSE	History GCSE	Computer Science GCSE
Textiles GCSE	Physical Education GCSE	Geography GCSE	French GCSE
Drama GCSE	Media GCSE	Spanish GCSE	History GCSE
Religious Education GCSE	Photography GCSE	Catering GCSE	Spanish GCSE
Art and Design supported Study	Art and Design supported Study	L1/2 IT course	Jamie's Cooking L1 non-GCSE
<b>Put your chosen subjects in the boxes below they must one subject from each block</b>			
Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4

1. Enter 1 subject from each block according to the Pathway description
  - a. Triple Science including at least one other Ebacc subject (in Green)
  - b. Core One pathway you must choose at least two Ebacc subjects (in Green)
  - c. Core Two pathway you must have at least one Ebacc subject (in Green)
2. Unless you have chosen the supported study pathway you must have at least one Ebacc Green Subject.
3. Below there are three other boxes where you must choose 3 subjects that you have not previously chosen in the boxes above.
  - i. These will be used if for some reason one of the first choice subjects doesn't run
  - ii. You should place them in order of how much you would like to do them
  - iii. They can be from any block

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2 <sup>nd</sup>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	