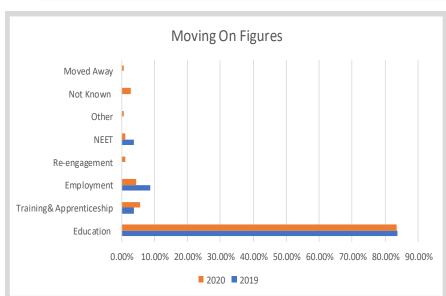
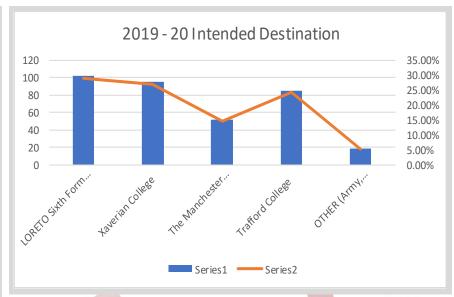


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When making transition decisions, it is sometimes useful to consider where other students have gone onto study, and what they have gone on to study. Everybody's career journey should be right for them however, decisions based on accurate information. Quality advice and guidance is key to a successful move. Education or training is statutory until the age of Please contact Ms Hitchen should require further support, information or guidance.







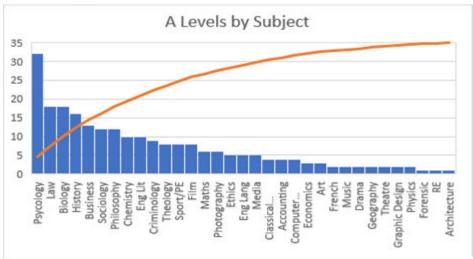


St Paul's are supported by a plethora of local colleges. Catholic Colleges in Hulme, Manchester and Rusholme deliver mainly L3 qualifications. (A Levels, and some vocational L3 courses, where often students can "mix and match". We are served by Further Education Colleges, both inside the authority (TMC & Trafford College/Stockport) and further afield, such as, Salford, Cheadle & Marple or Bury. Here mainly vocational courses are taught such as T-Levels, although some do have A Level centres.



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Traditional A Levels are where you would study 3 subjects for 2 years and complete exams at the end of the period. T-Levels focus on the vocational route and are a mix of academia and practical.

A BTEC Extended Diploma is where you study 1 subject for 2 years with a mixture of assignments and exams.

"mix and match" of the above where the student may choose 2 A levels and a BTEC Subsidiary Unit (worth 1 A Level) or 1 A Level and a BTEC Diploma (worth 2 A Levels) in 1 subject.

Most Universities make "UCAS Points" offers as opposed to grade offers. Each L3 qualification produces a point score (dependent on the pass grade) which then is the "currency" used to get into University or a Higher- Level Apprenticeship.

The government has outlined its wish that all young people achieve the minimum of L3 education for the economic success of the country.

It is not compulsory to go onto Higher Education at 18.

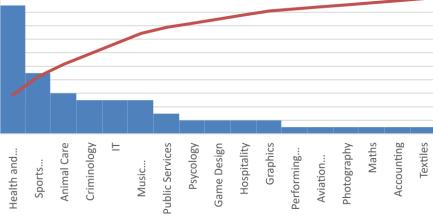
As with any L3 course applicants are required to have a minimum of 5+ grade 4-9 passes at GCSE, including Maths and English. Entry requirements are often a little "gentler" than A Levels where colleges require the same grades but where at least 2 of the subjects are at a grade 6 or better.

In addition, students must achieve a 6 or better in Sciences or Maths if they wish to carry any of these forwards at A Level. If the student doesn't achieve a 6 (but a 4-5) colleges may accept students to a L3 vocational course e.g. Applied Science.





BTEC Dip Subject





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For those students who wish to start specialising in an employment sector (e.g. Digital Skills, Engineering, Health and Social Care, Sport) and prefer assessment to be a mixture of assignments and exams, a L3 vocational route maybe the way forward (These include the new T levels)

Apprenticeships can be offered at assorted levels. School leavers would apply for L2 or L3 vacancies. Unfortunately, due to COVID19, it is reported that there are just 50% of the normal vacancies available presently (May '21). Where they are available they are being secured by students who have completed some basic work in that area at college, e.g. Brick Laying, Engineering. Business Administration and Customer services are two areas which appear to offer better chances. Colleges can support students in find placements alongside the course however students can find their own. https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship



