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*"Part of being successful
in both life and work is
recognising what we
don't know more than
what we do"*

Headteacher's Vision

Stephenson Studio School's mission is Excellence and Enterprise in Learning. To support our mission we endeavour to help our young people develop a thirst for learning and by so doing, help them to become confident people who have all the necessary skills and attributes to enable them to succeed from age 14 into adult life.

Our unique provision equips young people with key employability skills through 1:1 bespoke personal coaching, relevant work placement and carefully selected qualifications.

We are resolute in our aim of developing the 'whole' person to enable our young people to successfully continue onto the next phase of their lives.

Our Trustees and Studio School staff play a leading role in the educational provision that is supported via our sponsor, SMB Group.

Mr K Hobbs
Headteacher



BTEC Business

Business leaders frequently comment that young people are often ill-prepared for the world of work and that they know very little about the business environment. Some surveys have gone further to suggest that understanding business should be given the same emphasis as more traditional academic subjects.

At Stephenson Studio School we wholeheartedly agree that business should form part of the educational toolkit for our students which is why it is a compulsory subject for everyone attending the school.

Our programme of study centres around the BTEC First Business qualification, but BTEC GCSE Business Studies is also available for students who are capable of achieving at that level.

The qualification takes the form of three mandatory units covering and Introduction to Business, Finance and Setting Up a Business, as well as a fourth 'option' unit selected by the student.

Students will learn how to make decisions that impact on the success of business, look at how to improve business performance, understand the national and local factors that can influence business and they will prepare and present an idea for a business start-up.

Assessment is in the form of an online exam for Unit 2 (Business Finance) and coursework portfolios for the remaining units. Grades range from a PASS at Level-

el One, to PASS, MERIT, DISTINCTION and DISTINCTION* at Level Two.



Mr G Dixon

Assistant Headteacher

Mathematics

The maths department at Stephenson Studio School continues to improve and develop. The new GCSE 9-1 Mathematics course has been an exciting recent development. As well as mathematical fluency, the new course places an increased emphasis on your ability to reason and apply mathematical knowledge to problem solving.

Starting on entry to the school in Year 10, students are taught in small ability groups based on thorough assessments. We review these groups on a regular basis. More able students have a specially enhanced programme designed to support strong academic demands and to further their interest and enthusiasm for the subject.

A variety of learning activities are used throughout the course, including teacher led discussions and tasks, numeracy and key skills development, use of ICT and text book practice. Our aim is to make mathematics as accessible and enjoyable as possible for all our students, through the use of a variety of teaching methods to accommodate different learning styles. Personalised target setting and interventions ensure students of all abilities make the progress they deserve.



Mr S Ireland - Maths Learning Coach

Science

The Science course is a traditional GCSE where students study two units each of Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

Each unit is examined in a 1 hour 15 minute exam. All 6 exams will be completed at the end of Year 11. There is no coursework, but students will complete 21 required practical's. They will be expected to answer questions on these practical in their exams. The questions in the exam are a mixture of multiple choice, short answer and open response. Upon completion, students will gain 2 GCSE awards in Science at the end of Year 11.

Our open days give you the perfect opportunity to hear first-hand from our current students about their experiences of Science learning as well as giving you the opportunity to interact with various activities within our labs.



Mr G Dixon - Biology Learning Coach

Mr S Ireland – Physics Learning Coach

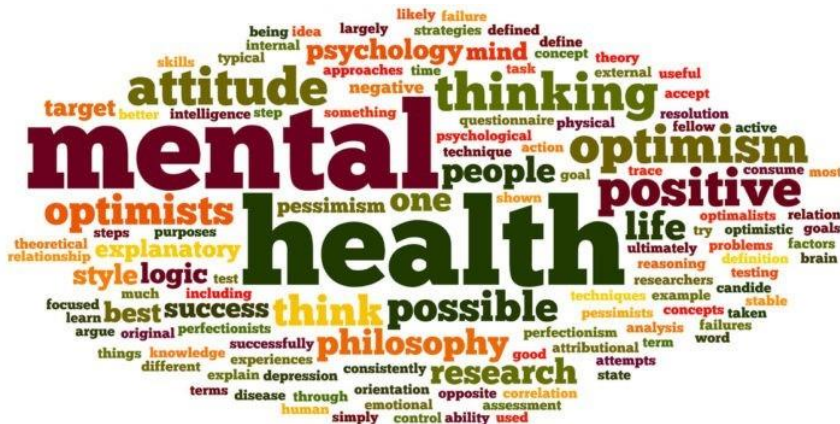
Mrs A Gibbs – Chemistry Learning Coach

PSHE

Personal, Social and Health Education lessons support in promoting physical and emotional well-being for all our young people as they journey through adolescence.

Our lessons for PSHE cover emotional health issues such as mental health, body image and wellbeing, sex and relationship education, drug awareness, Internet safety, bullying and independence skills, at a level appropriate to the age of the learner. At Stephenson Studio School we promote British values and prepare students for life in modern Britain; through PSHE which underpins our schools ethos.

Students also explore democracy, rights and responsibilities, respect and tolerance of those of different faiths, beliefs and opinions.



Work Placement

Work Placement gives students an idea of how the world of work operates. They are able to find out what skills are needed to be able to access the type of employment they want to go into, as well as learning the soft skills which are required generally to be successful in work. The students go into a place of work aligned, as far as possible, to their career aspirations. They attend their placement on a weekly basis for an extended period of time – October in Year 10 through to October in Year 11.

This gives Studio School students a valuable and authentic insight into their potential career choice. Due to our work placement programme, Stephenson Studio School students have a head start at Post 16.

They will have valuable experience to put on their CV, and also have a reference from their employer.

Placements students have often gone on to secure employment in an Apprenticeship role or a part time position with their work experience provider.

In addition to ‘hands-on’ and practical work experience, students will complete a Level 1 qualification in Work skills and undertake a work-placement project within their work placement environment.

Mr G Dixon

Assistant Headteacher



Vocational Subjects

We are very fortunate to be on the main Stephenson College site in Coalville. Our building is welcoming, business like and inspirational. The central theme for all learning at Stephenson Studio School is to give all our young learners the opportunities to pursue their dreams and achieve their ambitions.

As we are all too aware the economy is constantly changing and there are a number of key local and national areas of skill shortages. We want to help prepare our learners even further by giving them opportunities to experience the real world of work through work-related vocational subjects.

We offer students the choice of studying Hair & Beauty, Construction or Motor Vehicle.



Hair & Beauty

Stephenson Studio School's Hair & Beauty course will enable you to gain the skills you need to work in a hairdressing salon.

You will gain everything from shampooing to styling. Our Hair & Beauty students learn in a modern, well equipped environment with state-of-the-art treatment rooms. We pride ourselves on our usage of industry standard equipment and high quality products.

You will complete practical assessments, Course Work and online tests throughout the qualification.



Mrs J Kerrigan - Hair & Beauty Lecturer

Construction

Stephenson Studio School's Construction course covers all practical skills related to internal and external maintenance of dwellings. These skills include painting and decorating, plastering, carpentry, tiling, basic electrical installation and plumbing.

Learners will study sustainable construction methodology and construction technology. The course is assessed by practical tasks, internal assignments and one externally moderated assignment.

The Level 1 certificate in Multi-trade Construction Activities qualification has been designed to develop your skills, knowledge and understanding so you can work as a Construction Operative in the construction industry or progress to further training. This level 1 Certificate will give you a solid foundation in Multi-trade Construction Activities and prepare you to take further qualifications to develop your skills, knowledge and understanding within Multi-trade Construction Activities.



Mr R Hambridge & Mr S Prince
Construction Lecturers

Motor Vehicle

The Motor Vehicle course is a Level 1 Qualification in Year 1, and a Certificate Course in Year 2.

Firstly, students learn the importance of health & safety. This leads on to the fundamentals of tools, with the students making a hammer in the workshop. The students are allowed to bring this home after completion of Year 2.

The students learn the theory of Motor Mechanics, leading to the practical aspects of the job. This gives an well-rounded idea of Mechanics, visiting topics such as brakes, electrics, vehicle inspections, wheels and exhausts. The idea behind the selection is to give an overall general impression of what is involved in the industry, with detail on using different tools and equipment.

Students are supervised at all times. They are continually assessed, with their progress monitored and recorded in their prepared folder.



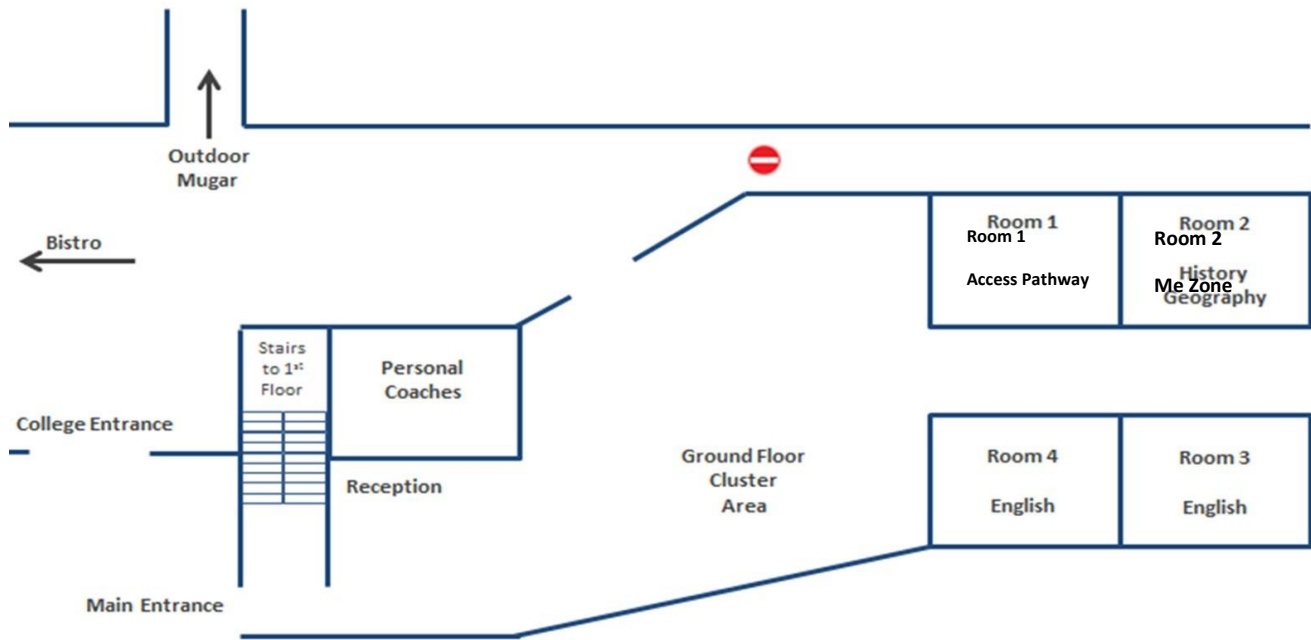
If you choose to enrol on a motor vehicle course with us you will learn in some of the best equipped workshops in the UK and be taught by highly experienced, industry qualified tutors.

This course covers the basic technical needs for today's motor vehicle repair industry. It provides essential knowledge for service technicians working on light vehicles (cars and vans) in all types of garages, dealerships and maintenance depots.

Mr R Whyley

Motor Vehicle Lecturer

Ground Floor Cluster



First Floor Cluster

