

# GCSE Child Development



GCSE / Equivalency value	1 GCSE
Assessment	60% Controlled Assessment (30% Child Study & 30% Child Focused Task) 40% Examination
Topics of Study	<p>There are 6 core areas of study:</p> <p><b>Family and Child:</b> types, functions, roles, relationships, disabilities, support available.</p> <p><b>Food and Health:</b> healthy eating, dietary goals, dietary needs, food safety.</p> <p><b>Pregnancy:</b> foetal development, ante-natal care, birth of the baby, post-natal care.</p> <p><b>Physical Development:</b> stages, factors affecting physical development.</p> <p><b>Intellectual Development:</b> stages, learning aids, learning through play, types of play, factors affecting learning.</p> <p><b>Social and Emotional Development:</b> stages, factors affecting social and emotional development.</p>
Homework	In order to complete the child study elements of the course, it is essential that pupils are able to observe and be in regular contact with a young child e.g. younger brother, sister, nephew or niece. This aspect of the course will require a great deal of note-taking whilst out of school.
Parental Support	Pupils will need to be supervised when completing their Child Study and Child Focused Tasks. It is imperative that pupils are encouraged to complete their coursework in the time allowed.

