

OCCUPATIONAL STUDIES AT GLASTRY

CHILD CARE (BUSINESS AND SERVICES)

Introduction

The world of work is constantly changing. It is increasingly unlikely that a single occupation will take employees from the beginning to the end of their working lives, so transferability and adaptability are important skills. Occupational Studies encourages learners to be motivated and inspired by following a broad, coherent, and satisfying course of study. It gives them opportunities to sample work-related learning within coherent occupational contexts and to develop their skills in literacy, numeracy, and ICT. It should also prepare learners to make informed decisions about further learning opportunities and careers.



Assessment

Assessment for this subject will be based on a portfolio of evidence. The portfolio of evidence for each unit must contain the following:

- Evidence of knowledge and understanding
- Evidence of application of knowledge, understanding and skills
- Evidence of analysis and evaluation of their work
- A diary of activities
- A record of all the assessment evidence

What will it be like?

You can achieve one nationally recognized Level 2 or Level 1 qualification.

- A 'Level 2' Occupational Studies qualification is at the same level as GCSE Grade A*-C
- A 'Level 1' Occupational Studies qualification is at the same level as GCSE Grades D-G

This qualification is achieved by completing 2 units from an occupational area. This area will be Business and Services. The two selected units for this area are:

Childcare: The Play Environment

This unit includes:

- children's physical, linguistic, intellectual, emotional and social development;
- the importance of play and children's learning and development;
- books, poems, rhymes and games for the age group of your choice;
- communication difficulties;
- role of the children's care worker in various settings and related career opportunities;
- consideration of health and safety issues within the unit;
- consideration of environmental issues within the unit; and
- a review and evaluation of performance.

The Physical Care of Babies

This unit includes:

- consideration of the role of the childcare worker and associated career opportunities;
- basic hygiene needs of babies;
- measures to prevent cross infection;
- consideration of the disposal of waste and related environmental impacts when caring for babies;
- products and clothing for babies;
- feeding babies;
- consideration of health and safety issues when caring for babies; and
- a review and evaluation of performance.

Career Progression

Early Years' Teacher	Play Therapist	Primary School Teacher	Youth Worker
Family Support Worker	Children's Nurse	Teaching Assistant	Speech and Language