

Careers Programme Overview 2026/27



Key Stage 5 — Years 12 to 13

The delivery and engagement of careers education in KS5 is primarily delivered during Period 1 and off timetable scheduling. Learning aims are aligned to ensure topics connect with Post-18 pathways and future occupations. Post 18 guidance support next steps, manage change and transition. Each year group is additionally supported with visits to HE providers, Employer work-based learning opportunities and Alumni Talks. Future ME (careers) information is shared weekly through Student Bulletins, Key Stage Careers Newsletters and Awareness/Discovery Days throughout the academic calendar, along with bespoke individual student support.

Year 12

Focus: Future planning

Post 18 explorations into Higher Education and the world of work. Employability skills and self awareness development.

Key Modules & Topics

- **Future Work::** Why do some jobs pay more than others? Work-life balance & skills in demand.
- **Self Awareness:** Personal development review & personality type guidance. Discovery Days
- **Skills:** Employability skills. Plugging the skills gaps. Work Experience.
- **Researching Next Steps:** Apprenticeships, Further and Higher Education, Non-apprenticeship Employment, Self Employment, and Gap Year.
- **Next Steps Guidance Appointments**

Year 13

Focus: Transitioning into the wider world

Post 18 applications, proactive planning and research into employment pathways & managing change.

Key Modules & Topics

- **Future Jobs:** Impact of Ai and automation on your future occupation. Employment Law updates: employee rights & responsibilities.
- **Self Awareness:** Entrepreneurship & starting your own business.
- **Applying for Employment:** CV fine-tuning, applications, interviews & LinkedIn.
- **Moments of Choice:** Handling setbacks, Plan B, Apprenticeships & Student Finance.
- **UCAS Application workshops and drop in surgeries.**