Careers education and guidance policy



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Rationale

- It is our expectation that all pupils/students should leave the school and move on to either Further/Higher Education or training or other career opportunities.
- This policy therefore recognises that the provision of effective Careers Education Independent Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) is an essential part of their preparation for these responsibilities and experiences of adult life.
- It should help them to be more self-aware, to be informed of their own continuing education and training and about possible career paths.
- It displays commitment to working towards national Gatsby Benchmark targets.

Gatsby Benchmark Key

- G1. A stable careers programme
- G2. Learning from career and labour market information
- G3. Addressing the needs of each pupil
- G4. Linking curriculum learning to careers
- G5. Encounters with employers and employees
- G6. Experiences of workplaces
- G7. Encounters with further and higher education
- G8. Personal guidance

It should enable them to manage transition to new roles and situations throughout their life and help them to achieve their aspirations.

Policy Statement

Students have access to Careers Education and Guidance in three main ways:

1 Through a planned programme of activities to assist students to

- Know themselves better.
- Be aware of equal opportunities and stereotyping.
- Manage transitions to new roles and situations, particularly at the end of KS4 and at 18+.
- Be aware of education, training and career opportunities.
- Make informed choices about their own futures and career paths.

2 Through external providers

A series of talks and lectures as set out in the careers plan and through qualified impartial careers advice two days a week in school. The careers advisor is from a Matrix accredited organisation.

Action planning and recording of alternative progression routes are seen as an essential part of effective guidance.

Parental involvement is encouraged and all parents are invited to formal interviews, as well as having the opportunity to talk to independent careers advisors.

(Please see separate Provider Access Policy)

	<u>Careers programme</u>
Year group	Event (Each G and number in brackets relates to the Gatsby Benchmarks which are referred to at the beginning and end of this document)
Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and Sixth Form	University days Certain universities are invited in to do talks with each year group focusing on how to get to university; university life and a Q and A session (G7)
Years 7-13	Careers hub and Teams The careers hub on the school website provides information to all stakeholders regarding careers advice and guidance. Each year group has their own Teams page dedicated to careers which is updated regularly with up to the minute information and LMI.
Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and Sixth Form	Careers convention Open to all students each July. Various representatives from industry. Students are allowed to wander; gather information and talk to people about the careers that they are interested in. Again, this is based on FT data. (G2, G3, G5, G7)
Years 7-13	SEMLEP Working partnership with SEMLEP who provide us with links to industry sectors and Employability Advisers. Also involved in reviewing Gatsby shortfalls and providing support in addressing these shortfalls.
Years 7-13	Uniconnect Working partnership with Uniconnect who provide aspirational support for students and careers guidance
Year 9	Apprenticeship talks: We invite apprenticeship providers in to talk to Year 9 students regarding the details surrounding apprenticeships (G5, G2)
Year 9	PMNW, Elevate, Human Utopia All based on raising aspirations and awareness with regards to the 'next steps' for Year 9. (G3, G8)
KS4 (Years 10-11)	Apprenticeship talks: We invite apprenticeship providers in to talk to Year 10 students regarding the details surrounding apprenticeships (G5, G2)
KS4 (Years 10-11)	Careers and destinations interviews Students meet with SLT to discuss their future plans and aspirations beyond KS4. (G8)
KS3-KS4	Careers events Opportunities for talks, lectures etc. for all students in Years 7-11. (G1, G2, G7, G3)

KS3-KS4	PSHE resources Careers, advice and guidance is built into KS3 and	nd 4 PSHE dr	op-down days	
KS3-KS4	Where will this subject take me? Each subject produces a presentation about their area and the potential careers and pathways that can be pursued through each subject. (G4) Gatsby Benchmark Key G1. A stable careers programme G2. Learning from career and labour market information G3. Addressing the needs of each pupil G4. Linking curriculum learning to careers G5. Encounters with employers and employees G6. Experiences of workplaces G7. Encounters with further and higher education G8. Personal guidance			
Gatsby benchmarks for reference				
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