

Careers – Year 9

The focus is on self-assessment, career paths and options post 14

In Year 9 students choose their options for Years 10 & 11. As part of the PSHE programme students will

- Look at how to make decisions and plan their transition into Year 10
- Explore opportunity awareness, self-awareness and job sectors so that they are aware of the qualities and skills required by various jobs and know where to find information relating to careers
- Students will begin to identify some of their strengths and weaknesses
- Students will learn that hobbies and interests can influence career choices
- Students will be aware of self-marketing and start to develop employability skills
- Students learn the importance of life-long learning

All students in Year 9 will have a 1:1 meeting with a careers advisor, form tutor, head of year or member of the senior leadership team about their option choices, career routes and post 16 options. This will set out an individual career learning plan which will help students set career targets for the future and will form part of their target setting review.

Careers advisors will be available for meetings at Year 9 option evening.

Further information to help you in Year 9:

Brightknowledge www.brightknowledge.org/knowledge-bank/education-pathways Information on qualifications and options

BBC www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents/gcse_choosing/ Information about how and when you choose GCSE subjects.

Icould www.icould.com Careers advice, choices & ideas

Careersbox www.careersbox.co.uk Watch videos of people in different jobs

Plotr www.plotr.co.uk Explore careers in different worlds of work

National Careers Service <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/Pages/Home.aspx> provides access to independent, professional advice on careers, skills and training

Bigambition www.bigambition.co.uk/14-16/tips--tricks/surviving-school/year-9--decision-time/ Get a real insight into opportunities in IT

Moving On magazine www.movingonmagazine.co.uk Moving On magazine is a publication devoted to providing a wide range of information regarding choices following school