

Year 9

Options and Opportunities

- To prepare for GCSE options considering how these link to future careers pathways and progression routes
- To explain the importance of STEM subjects and their importance to a wide range of careers
- To link curriculum subjects to careers to inform options choices.

Term 1:1

Birley Pathways:

Students will learn about what different careers they can get into for that particular subject at the end of each lesson.

Trips and visits:

Students will be given the opportunity to attend careers related trips where possible.

Skillsbuilder Programme:

Throughout tutor time and PSHE lessons, all students will be taught eight essential employability skills.

Inspiration Day- students will have the opportunities to meet employers and representatives from higher education to gain a better understanding of what careers are available to them.

Term 1:2

Xello Workshops:

Students are taken into the ICT suites during form time and shown how to use the careers platform Xello. They will learn more about what careers suit them by completing a number of quizzes and research tasks

Careers assemblies and tutor time focus during National Careers Week Year 9 Discover US Mentoring scheme starts

Students can participate in the Big Challenge enterprise competition.

Term 2:1

Birley Pathways:

Students will learn about what different careers they can get into for that particular subject at the end of each lesson.

Trips and visits:

Students will be given the opportunity to attend careers related trips where possible.

GCSE Options:

Students learn about what career paths can lead on from taking the different options subjects we offer at GCSE.

Term 2:2

HEPP Workshops:

Students participate in workshops ran by the Higher Education Progression Partnership. The aim of this is to educate young people about what higher education involves, the routes they can get into it, what benefits it offers.

PSHE Careers Lessons:

Students deepen their understanding of what careers are available to them and how to achieve them, building on previous learning from Year 7

Term 3:1

Birley Pathways:

Students will learn about what different careers they can get into for that particular subject at the end of each lesson.

Trips and visits:

Students will be given the opportunity to attend careers related trips where possible.

Term 3:2

Careers Fair: Local businesses and providers are invited in to support a careers fair which students can attend in order to learn more about various career paths and find out more about the areas they may be interested in.