

## Derby Cathedral School Careers Programme 2021-2022

Year	Theme	Activity	Aims	Gatsby Benchmarks
7	<b>Exploring me</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grow throughout life</li> <li>• Explore possibilities</li> </ul>	Careers education units in PSHE lessons: Developing Me 1 (via Unifrog) and Developing Skills and Aspirations	<i>Introducing students to the Unifrog careers library as well as learning around managing behaviour, target setting, self-confidence, taking control of your future, developing and recognising aspirations and employability skills</i>	GB1, GB2
		Access to school's careers library	<i>Providing students with a dedicated area of careers resources, books and local college and university prospectuses, with monthly lunchtime 'drop in' activities</i>	GB2
		Summer careers day	<i>An opportunity for all year groups to interact with local and national employers and education and training providers and learn about the opportunities available to them through and exhibition and engaging workshops and talks</i>	GB2, GB5, GB7
8	<b>Exploring my future</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grow throughout life</li> <li>• Explore possibilities</li> <li>• See the bigger picture</li> </ul>	Careers education units in PSHE lessons: Developing Me 2 (via Unifrog)	<i>Continuing to explore LMI through the Unifrog careers library and learning around personality types and identifying interests</i>	GB1, GB2
		Access to school's careers library	<i>Providing students with a dedicated area of careers resources, books and local college and university prospectuses, with monthly lunchtime 'drop in' activities</i>	GB2
		'Where can [subject] take me?' Careers education during curriculum time	<i>Linking subject learning to careers and pathways through short presentations and activities using CEC My Learning, My Future resources during lesson time, as part of National Careers Week</i>	GB4
		'Why go to university?' workshop by University of Derby	<i>Discussing the benefits of going to university, getting familiar with 'university terminology' and challenging some of the myths around Higher Education</i>	GB2, GB7
		6-week Aspirations programme (AP students only)	<i>Targeting careers and aspirations support for students currently in the alternative provision setting, including an exploration of personal qualities and interests, employability skills, career aspirations and GCSE and post-16 options</i>	GB2, GB3

		Step into the NHS Competition	<i>Exploring careers in healthcare and allowing students to exercise skills in research, creativity, communication, resilience and digital media</i>	GB2, GB3
		Summer careers day	<i>An opportunity for all year groups to interact with local and national employers and education and training providers and learn about the opportunities available to them through and exhibition and engaging workshops and talks</i>	GB2, GB5, GB7
9	<b>Exploring pathways</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grow throughout life</li> <li>• Explore possibilities</li> <li>• See the bigger picture</li> <li>• Create opportunities</li> </ul>	Careers education units in PSHE lessons: Developing Me 2 (via Unifrog) and Ambition and Enterprise	<i>Continuing to explore LMI through the Unifrog careers library and students participating in an ongoing enterprise focused challenge</i>	GB1, GB2
		Robotics Challenge (targeted group only)	<i>Offering girls, students with SEND and disengaged students an opportunity to compete in a national STEM competition, meet and visit employers and learn about careers linked to the area</i>	GB2, GB3, GB5
		University of Derby Experience Day	<i>Giving students the opportunity to see and experience a university campus and get an insight into Higher Education and the opportunities available at Derby</i>	GB2, GB7
		'Progression Pathways' workshop by University of Derby	<i>Helping students to identify their skills, consider potential careers and explore progression routes from post-16 to Higher Education.</i>	GB2, GB3, GB7
		1-1 career guidance interviews	<i>Providing 1-1 impartial careers advice and guidance by our trained Careers Advisor.</i>	GB3, GB8
		Step into the NHS Competition	<i>Exploring careers in healthcare and allowing students to exercise skills in research, creativity, communication, resilience and digital media</i>	GB2, GB3
		Summer careers day	<i>An opportunity for all year groups to interact with local and national employers and education and training providers and learn about the opportunities available to them through and exhibition and engaging workshops and talks</i>	GB2, GB5, GB7

<b>10</b>	<b>Career readiness</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grow throughout life</li> <li>• Explore possibilities</li> <li>• See the bigger picture</li> <li>• Create opportunities</li> <li>• Manage career</li> </ul>	Careers education units in PSHE lessons: Preparing for Work Experience	<i>Preparing students for the world of work and their work experience placements, covering: finding a placement, how to behave in the workplace, reflecting on your experience and preparing for interviews</i>	GB1, GB2, GB6
		Work experience week	<i>Developing students' knowledge of the world of work and their career readiness skills through a hands-on 5-day placement with an employer</i>	GB5, GB6
		Mock interviews	<i>Providing interview practice for students and the opportunity to meet and be interviewed by real employer representatives</i>	GB5
		Access to Decisionz magazine*	<i>Providing both students and parents with access to local LMI, upcoming opportunities and careers advice and tips</i>	GB2
		1-1 career guidance interviews	<i>Providing 1-1 impartial careers advice and guidance by our trained Careers Advisor</i>	GB3, GB8
		YMCA Key College visits	<i>Targeting groups of students to visit the YMCA Key College to hear about vocational post-16 study options</i>	GB3, GB7
		Summer careers day	<i>An opportunity for all year groups to interact with local and national employers and education and training providers and learn about the opportunities available to them through and exhibition and engaging workshops and talks</i>	GB2, GB5, GB7

\*All parents and carers of DCS students in all years have access to Decisionz via the Careers page on our website, Twitter and the newsletter.

Our careers programme has been developed in line with the [Gatsby Benchmarks for good career guidance \(2014\)](#) and the [Career Development Framework \(2021\)](#).

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