

Sixth Form Careers Programme

Next Steps

In the sixth form, the focus of the careers programme is on exploring post-18 pathways and supporting students getting ready to take their next steps into higher education, an apprenticeship or employment. Students will learn how they can make the most of opportunities to further their skills and experiences, and how to present these on applications at this level.

Through the careers units in their weekly personal development lessons, year 12 and 13 students explore the following topics:

- ▶ Goal setting
- ▶ Post-18 decisions
- ▶ Finding and undertaking work experience and volunteering opportunities
- ▶ Making the most of extra-curricular and super-curricular opportunities
- ▶ Preparing for job and university applications
- ▶ Personal Finance

Year 12 and 13 students will also be entitled to individual personal guidance interviews with one of our qualified careers advisors. Students are encouraged to find and complete a one-week work experience placement in term 2 of year 12. They will have the opportunity to meet employers for a mock interview, and to explore their options through meeting post-18 providers.

All sixth form students have access to our careers progression fair where they can meet post-18 providers including providers of technical and higher education as well as apprenticeship employers. They will also have opportunities to visit university campuses.

The sixth form will use Unifrog to research their post-18 options and prepare their applications for future employment or higher-level study. They can also use the “MOOC” search tool and the “Read, Watch, Listen” section to extend their interests beyond the classroom. Students will continue to have access to their Unifrog account for four years after leaving school.