Careers, Post-16 Pathways & Apprenticeships

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My career pathway













Careers Education at LIS



Careers Education at Little Ilford School is:

- Aspirational for all students.
- Excellent NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training) record.
- Opportunities to go out on trips to universities, specialist colleges and businesses.
- Virtual and in person guest speakers.
- Purchase of Unifrog software which is rolling out to all year groups.
- Students are made aware of career pathways, employment opportunities, further training including degree courses and other options such as apprenticeships.
- Careers resources in the library.

Careers advice is available daily at lunchtime and afterschool and students are openly encouraged to visit Miss.Ford for advice and guidance.

Careers Education at LIS



Year 7, 8 & 9

- Planning for options choices through structured careers activities during PSHE and special assemblies.
- Enterprise school competitions across departments.
- Aspirational trips throughout the year to universities and businesses.
- Enterprise day The entire year group takes part
 working in small groups to create a school business
 plan. All groups compete in a 'dragons den' style
 finale supported by business professionals. This
 develops employability skills.

Careers Education at LIS



Year 10

- Aspirational trips throughout the year to universities and businesses.
- World of Work (WOW) Day The entire year group are treated to a day within the corporate world in preparation for their work experience placement.
- Work Experience All students complete a two-week work placement and have the opportunity to select their own placement.

Year 11

- Impartial Careers Interview Every student receives a careers interview with an external careers advisor.
- College Information Evening This event is held at school and local colleges, sixth forms and apprenticeship providers attend to speak to students and parents.
- Structured assembly programme Guest speakers from local colleges, sixth forms and apprenticeship providers deliver assemblies to the year group.
- National Citizenship Service Summer Programme

Enrichment

Monday	Masterclass Sessions in 3D work - Year 8 (Room 101) GCSE Catch Up Art Club - Year 10 (Room 001) Careers Support - Year 10 & 11 (ICT 130)
Tuesday	Careers Support - Year 10 & 11 (ICT 130) Triple Science Club - Year 11 (Room 318) Homework Club - Year 11 SEN Mainstream (ICT 130) School Play - All Year Groups (Auditorium) Technology Club - All Year Groups (Room 007)
Wednesday	Police Cadets - Year 7 & 8 (Sports Hall) Duke of Edinburgh - Year 9 & 10 enrolled students only (PE Class) GCSE Catch Up Art Club - Years 9, 10 & 11 (Room 106) Careers Support - Year 10 & 11 (ICT 130) Girls Club - All Year Groups (Room 044) Choir - All Year Groups (Room 028) Book Club - All Year Groups (Library)
Thursday	Science Club - Year 7 (Week A Only) Room 320 Careers Support - Year 10 & 11(ICT 130) GCSE Catch Up Art Club - Years 9, 10 & 11 (Room 101) Lexia Reading Club - Year 11 SEN Mainstream & EMA (ICT 130) Equality Club - All Year Groups (Room 044) Keyboard Club - All Year Groups (Room 007)
Friday	Careers Support - Year 10 & 11 (ICT 130)

Post 16 Options

When your child leaves Little Ilford School they will have a number of options available to them:

- A Levels
- BTEC
- T Levels
- Apprenticeship
- Traineeship



Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships can begin from the age of 16 once school has ended.

It is a **paid** job where the employee learns whilst working. They also have at least 20% off the job training, normally in a college or university environment.

Apprenticeships start at Level 2 (GCSE Level) and can go all the way to level 7 which is the equivalent of a Masters degree.

Benefits to apprenticeships:

- Experience and skills development in a chosen field.
- A nationally recognised qualification whilst being paid (£4.81ph minimum for 16-18 year olds)
- Employee benefits.
- Exposure to industry professionals.

Apprenticeships & Traineeships

How can my child find out more about apprenticeships?

- National apprenticeship website
- College websites
- Employer websites
- Unifrog

Most applications for apprenticeships are similar to a job application. They can be applied for online using the above methods.

Traineeships:

Similar to apprenticeships but normally used to prepare a young person for an apprenticeship.

Traineeships last from 6 weeks to 1 year and put some students who may have lower GCSE grades in a better position to apply for apprenticeships.

A Levels

Advanced Level Qualifications are subject based qualifications that can lead to university, employment or further training.

Most students will study 3 A Levels across two years. A Levels are linear. Assessments take place at the end of the two year course.

Expert advice is offered to students to help them decide on which subjects are best suited to their future career ambitions.

Entry requirements for A Levels are at least a grade 6 in all your GCSE's, with many competitive sixth forms requesting grade 7's and above.

T Levels

Technical programmes equivalent to three A Levels. Students only select one subject area. Students can progress to university, employment or further training.

Very new and only launched in September 2020.

They are a mixture of classroom learning and on the job experience. All students complete an industry placement which is equivalent to 45 days of employment. T Levels focus on vocational skills and are a great alternative to A Levels.

They are being rolled out across the country and our local T Level providers are Newvic and Newham College.

Vocational Pathways – BTEC's

BTEC's are vocational courses which are work related qualifications.

The entry requirements for BTEC's are slightly lower than for A Levels making them an attractive option for students who do not meet the entry requirements for A Levels.

Excellent choice for students who prefer a blend of both classroom and practical work.

BTEC's are widely recognised by universities. There are some subjects with an exception such as Medicine.

Mythbusting

- My child can't go to university because they are not studying A Levels.
- If my child studies an apprenticeship they cannot study a degree.
- A Levels look better on a job application.
- My child has to be academic to go to university.
- Apprenticeships are low paid.
- Apprenticeships are for people who don't do well at school.
- My child must study the subjects they want to do at university in college.

Q&A