

Madeley School Careers Framework

Progressive careers learning journey | Years 7–11

Programme principles

Aligned with Gatsby Benchmarks 1–8, CDI learning areas, provider access requirements and Madeley School Personal Development. Activities are planned opportunities rather than confirmed bookings unless separately calendared.

Delivery through Compass CEIAG Personal Development lessons, tutor time, assemblies, subject learning, employer and provider sessions, careers guidance, enrichment and workplace learning.

Year 7 – Discover

- Identify interests, strengths, aspirations and jobs in the community; explore Unifrog and local careers; introductory employer/provider encounters; subject-linked STEM careers.

Year 8 – Explore

- Develop communication, teamwork and entrepreneurial thinking; investigate job sectors, future skills, career stereotypes and local opportunities; employer encounters and workplace insights.

Year 9 – Choose

- Understand GCSE options and how subjects link to pathways; encounter colleges, technical and apprenticeship providers; access guidance and labour market information; complete FSQ where scheduled.

Year 10 – Experience

- Prepare CVs, applications and interviews; engage with employers and post-16 providers; complete meaningful workplace preparation and Year 10 work experience, 5–9 July 2027; record and reflect using Unifrog.

Year 11 – Progress

- Compare sixth-form, college, apprenticeship and technical routes; attend open events and provider encounters; receive impartial personal guidance; complete applications and transition planning, with targeted support where needed.

Evaluation and inclusion

Review participation by year group and learner needs, including SEND and students identified as at risk of NEET; capture learner, parent/carers, employer and provider voice; monitor intended and sustained destinations.

Cross-reference specific activities and confirmed dates with the Student and Parent/Carer Overview Calendar 2026–2027 (October update), particularly the CEIAG/STEM, in-school activities, open events and assembly tabs.