



## **Wandle Valley Academy: Provider Access Policy**

### **Introduction**

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the school for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B and Section 45 of the Education Act 1997.

### **Pupil entitlement**

All pupils in years 7-11 are entitled:

- to find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships opportunities, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point;
  - to hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
  - to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.
- In response to the Skills and Post-16 Education Act 2022, the academy will ensure that the minimum requirement of six, high-quality encounters with a range of further education/training providers will be offered during years 8-11.

As part of this and in accordance with the January 2023 updated guidance, the academy will also provide at least four encounters with approved providers of apprenticeships and technical education for all their students (2 further encounters to be provided by year 12 and 13 provider):

- Two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 or 9) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend
- Two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 or 11) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend

### **Management of provider access requests**

#### **Procedure**

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

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#### **Opportunities for access**

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers:



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Year Group	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 7	<p>Introductory Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Pupil Survey on Compass+ Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Visiting workshops and speakers</b> from industries/employers inc: Public Services (Fire brigade, London Ambulance and Police)Local trades-people (Plumbing, Electrician, Landscaping).</p>	<p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>National Apprenticeship Week 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> – A chance to highlight the apprenticeship opportunities available to pupil.</p> <p><b>National Careers Week 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March</b> – A week of careers focussed activities across the curriculum.</p> <p>Continuation of Spring industry <b>workshops</b>.</p>	<p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Feltham YOI Workshop</b> (Crime diversion talk)</p> <p><b>Speakers Trust Workshops</b> - Building self-confidence and public speaking skills.</p> <p><b>SWITCH</b> Life Choices workshops (Including Drugs and SRE)</p>
Year 8	<p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Visiting workshops and speakers</b> from industries/employers inc:Public Services (Fire brigade, London Ambulance and Police)Local trades-people (Plumbing, Electrician, Landscaping).</p> <p><b>Visits to local business venues</b> inc: Sainsbury's, Woodcote Garden Centre, Deen City Farm, Mears.</p>	<p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>National Apprenticeship Week 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> – A chance to highlight the apprenticeship opportunities available to pupil.</p> <p><b>National Careers Week 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March</b> – A week of careers focussed activities across the curriculum.</p> <p><b>Careers Morning</b> (20+ local business/college/course provider reps to attend, offering short informal interviews).</p> <p>Continuation of Spring industry <b>workshops/ visits</b>.</p>	<p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Feltham YOI Workshop</b> (Crime diversion talk)</p> <p><b>Speakers Trust Workshops</b> - Building self-confidence and public speaking skills.</p> <p><b>SWITCH</b> Life Choices workshops (Including Drugs and SRE)</p>
Year 9	<p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince's Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to</p>	<p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince's Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to</p>	<p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince's Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to</p>



	<p>an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p><b>Visiting workshops and speakers</b> from industries/employers inc: Public Services (Fire brigade, London Ambulance + Police) Local trades-people (Plumbing, Electrician, Landscaping etc).</p> <p><b>Training Provider Careers Morning</b> (20+ local college/training provider reps to attend, offering short informal interviews).</p> <p><b>Team London Young Ambassadors</b> – Volunteering Matters workshop.</p> <p><b>Visits to local business venues</b> inc: Sainsbury's, Woodcote Garden Centre, Deen City Farm, Mears etc.</p> <p><b>PfA Event - Sutton Life Centre</b></p> <p><b>Hospitality Event – Royal Leonardo Hotel, Tower Bridge.</b></p>	<p>an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p><b>National Apprenticeship Week 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> – A chance to highlight the apprenticeship opportunities available to pupil.</p> <p><b>National Careers Week 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March</b> – A week of careers focussed activities across the curriculum.</p> <p><b>Careers Morning</b> (20+ local business/college/course provider reps to attend, offering short informal interviews).</p> <p>Continuation of Spring <b>industry workshops/ visits.</b></p> <p><b>Volunteering Opportunities</b> via Volunteer Centre Sutton (Sutton Community Farm/Eco Local)</p>	<p>an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p><b>Options Evening</b> (Parents to attend with students to discuss GCSE/Vocational Option subjects for KS4) Local College Representatives to attend, with sample course displays.</p> <p><b>Speakers Trust Workshops</b> - Building self-confidence and public speaking skills.</p> <p><b>Feltham YOI Workshop</b> (Crime diversion talk)</p> <p><b>SWITCH Life Choices</b> workshops (Including Drugs and SRE)</p> <p><b>Volunteering Opportunities</b> via Volunteer Centre Sutton (Sutton Community Farm/Eco Local)</p>
Year 10	<p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince's Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Training Provider Careers Morning</b> (20+ local college/training provider reps to attend, offering short informal interviews).</p>	<p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince's Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker and Work Experience ideas)</b></p> <p><b>National Apprenticeship Week 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> – A chance to highlight the apprenticeship opportunities available to pupil.</p>	<p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince's Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker and Work Experience preparation)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers Trust Workshops</b> - Building self-confidence and public speaking skills.</p> <p><b>Feltham YOI Workshop</b> (Crime diversion talk)</p>



	<p><b>Team London Young Ambassadors</b> – Volunteering Matters workshop.</p> <p><b>Volunteering Opportunities</b> via Volunteer Centre Sutton (Sutton Community Farm/Eco Local)</p> <p><b>PfA Event - Sutton Life Centre</b></p> <p><b>Hospitality Event – Royal Leonardo Hotel, Tower Bridge.</b></p>	<p><b>National Careers Week 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March</b> – A week of careers focussed activities across the curriculum.</p> <p><b>KS4 Parents Evening</b> (Opportunity to discuss students’ progress/meet Local College Reps. Discuss possible Work Experience placements/contacts)</p> <p><b>Careers Morning</b> (20+ local business/college/course provider reps to attend, offering short informal interviews).</p> <p><b>Mears Toolkit Talks</b> (CV building workshops and Apprenticeship support)</p> <p><b>Visits to local business venues</b> of specific interest to students. CP to carry out specific Risk Assessments of potential venues for Work Experience.</p> <p><b>Open Doors</b> – Construction site visit to New Covent Garden Market redevelopment site.</p>	<p>Pre <b>Work Experience placement interviews</b> with Careers Advisor</p> <p><b>Work Experience Placement</b> (5 days in May)</p> <p>Post <b>Work Experience placement interviews</b> with Careers Advisor + outside professionals eg Mears, Sutton and District.</p> <p><b>SWITCH</b> Life Choices workshops (Including Drugs and SRE)</p> <p><b>Enterprise Project</b> Visit to Sutton Boot sale to sell donated items, to raise money for the school. Forms part of Princes Trust Coursework.</p>
Year 11	<p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince’s Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>Training Provider Careers Morning</b> (20+ local college/training provider reps to attend, offering short informal interviews).</p>	<p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince’s Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Compass + Tracker)</b></p> <p><b>National Apprenticeship Week 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> – A chance to highlight the apprenticeship opportunities available to pupil.</p>	<p><b>Weekly Careers Lesson</b> (45mins p/w) Prince’s Trust Units in Preparation for Work covered at Level 2, leading to an Award, Certificate or Diploma.</p> <p>Student meetings with <b>Careers Advisor (Confirmation of Post 16 education destinations for all pupils)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers Trust Workshops</b> - Building self-confidence and public speaking skills.</p>



	<p><b>Ian Birthwright</b> – Department for Work and Pensions Interviews workshops.</p> <p><b>Post 16 applications</b> (Providers to come into school for class talks and online application support).</p> <p><b>Visits to local colleges/course providers</b> (Tour facilities/see lessons in progress/talk briefly to tutors)</p> <p>PfA Event - <b>Sutton Life Centre</b></p> <p><b>Hospitality Event</b> – Royal Leonardo Hotel, Tower Bridge.</p> <p><b>National Apprenticeship Event</b> – The Kia, Oval.</p>	<p><b>National Careers Week 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March</b> – A week of careers focussed activities across the curriculum.</p> <p><b>KS4 Parents Evening</b> (Opportunity to discuss students’ progress/meet Local College Reps)</p> <p><b>Careers Morning</b> (20+ local business/college/course provider reps to attend, offering short informal interviews).</p> <p><b>Ian Birthwright</b> – Department for Work and Pensions – Mock Interviews.</p> <p><b>Post-16 interviews and Learning Support interviews</b> at colleges.</p> <p><b>Open Doors</b> – Construction site visit to New Covent Garden Market redevelopment site.</p>	<p><b>Feltham YOI Workshop</b> (Crime diversion talk)</p> <p><b>SWITCH</b> Life Choices workshops (Including Drugs and SRE)</p> <p>Visit to <b>The Quad</b>, to view NEET services offered.</p>
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Please speak to our Careers Lead to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

### Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Lead.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Office. The Careers Office is available to all students during specified break/lunch/tutorial times.