

Year 9 Careers

October 2023

We hope that you have all now settled back into the school routine and are feeling ready for the new opportunities and experiences that Year 9 will bring.

The Careers Department

Our department is situated on the first floor in Bede House and is open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.30pm (term time only). Our team of 3 professionally qualified Careers Advisers, plus a Work Experience Coordinator will work with you to provide comprehensive bespoke careers information, advice and guidance. We aim to raise your aspirations and awareness of the range of options and opportunities available, enabling you to become an effective decision maker and to plan for your future career.

Year 9 Careers Programme

During Year 9 you will receive tailored advice and guidance from the Careers Department to help you make informed decisions when choosing Key Stage 4 options and you will spend time exploring the courses available in Key Stage 4 and beyond.

You will have assemblies focussed on decision making and post 16 options. This will be followed by a careers lesson when you will engage in activities to review your skills, qualities and the careers decision-making process. As part of this you will be introduced to Indigo, a computer programme which you can access at home to further research career and study opportunities.

We hold an annual Careers Evening in April inviting a wide range of employers, as well as further and higher education providers and Year 9 and parents/carers will be invited to attend. More details on this event will be communicated in the Spring Term.

Students are welcome to visit the Careers department during break time and lunchtime, when the careers team will be on hand to offer guidance and answer any queries on both Key Stage 4 option choices and careers in general. Individual guidance appointments can be arranged and parents/carers are welcome to attend. If you would like to take advantage of this, please contact us with details of your availability so we can arrange a mutually convenient time. Careers staff will be also available at parents' evening and options events.

Further details about the Year 9 options process will follow later in the academic year.

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**We are very much looking forward to working with students in Year 9.
Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.**



Who we are...

Our Careers Department Staff

From left to right:

Mrs Richmond: Assistant Careers Leader

Mrs Dukes: Careers Leader

Mrs Jackson: Careers Adviser

Mrs Farrar: Work Experience and Enterprise Coordinator



We regularly evaluate our provision and welcome any feedback you would like to give.

You can contact us on:

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Our Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance and Provider Access Legislation policies together with our Careers Development Plans can be viewed [here](#).