Careers Policy, Programme and Provider Access Policy 2019 – 2020

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Pupil Entitlement

The statutory guidance is relevant to 'all pupils in years 8-14' and we will also consider young people's developmental ages when preparing appropriate careers activities at Stocklake Park School, ensuring that students receive a careers programme which offers them opportunities to:

- Find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part
 of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and
 training options available at each transition point
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses

We aim to inspire students, providing encounters and activities intended to assist them in making informed decisions about their future, whether these relate to education, training, volunteering, work experience, work or access to leisure and community based activities. We aim to offer appropriate levels of information, support and guidance to enable students to achieve the best outcomes possible, and contribute to or make decisions about future destinations.

Through our curriculum, multi-agency working with other professionals and work with parents/carers, we ensure that we develop the interests, skills and talent of students to prepare them for the next steps, involving representative members of the local community and accessing local facilities.

Central to this is student participation in choices, target setting and decision making, with their increasing involvement in the Annual Review process and in shaping transition programmes, we use the Education Health Care Plan and person centred planning to identify appropriate route(s) for each learner. Academic, vocational, volunteer, supported internships and leisure and activity based routes are explored, so that students and families are aware of future opportunities and are supported to prepare and access these.

Our focus links directly to the requirements of 'Gatsby Good Career Guidance' report (2014) which became the basis for the statutory 'Careers guidance and access for education and training providers' (2018). Our careers package is also informed by Talentino Career and Enterprise Company who have adapted these documents into practical information and guidance in their 'SEND Gatsby Benchmark Toolkit' (2018).

'Schools should support every pupil, whatever their level or type of need, to fulfil their potential. Careers guidance for pupils with SEND should be based on the pupils' own aspirations, abilities and needs. Research by The Careers & Enterprise Company highlights the need to put the individual with SEND at the centre, working with the family, to start transition planning early, and the value of supported encounters with the workplace and work experience.'

Careers guidance & access for education & training providers, Department for Education, October 2018

We have close working relationships with Children's and Adults' social care, with the Transitions Team, Connexions Advisor and local colleges and schools to provide targeted and personalised support to ensure identified destinations can meet the needs of our students and to ensure their safety and well-being.

We have a flexible approach to transition, understand that our students have a wide range of needs and some may need particularly strong levels of support, for example care leavers and Looked After Children, to achieve an appropriate and aspirational placement.

Management of provider access requests

Providers wishing to request access should contact:

C Stephenson, Principal, 01296 427221

Opportunities for access

Our curriculum and careers programme includes opportunities for providers to come into school to speak to our students and/or their parents/carers. These can be arrange during timetabled Careers lessons or at other suitable times.

Please speak to C Stephenson, Principal, 01296 427 221

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 Work Related Learning Co-ordinator, who will ensure that these are available for the students to have easy access.

Measuring and Assessment of the impact of the careers programme on students

Evaluation of our careers programme is designed to enable us to examine what we do consider how we can improve it and provide stakeholders with a summary of this.

This will include gathering information from the students about how they feel about their experiences in relation to the careers programme, including via student voice and observations.

Pupil progress in Careers lessons will be evaluated each term as part of our ongoing Student Tracking process.

It is our aim to provide work experience opportunities appropriate to each student from Year 11 upwards. These may be undertaken independently or supported in small groups. They should involve contact with local employers in a range of industries.

Key Stage 3	Careers Education Focus
Year 7 & 8	Classroom Lessons on Skills & Interests, and 'What's important to me'
	Interaction with older learning carrying out vocational activities in school
	Student contribution to Annual Review
	Community visits & activities and visitors on site to experience and explore different activities, locations/contexts and roles
	Student and parent contribution to individual learning wheel, annual review and target setting
	Encounters with students from local schools, on and off site (e.g. Sports Leaders, volunteers, work experiences placements, themed days)
	Enterprise activities e.g. Xmas Fair
	Community Nursing Team protective behaviours courses as appropriate
	Education, Health Care Plan Transition Review
Year 9	Working together with students and families to identify aspirations and goals for the future
	Community visits & activities and visitors on site to experience & explore different activities, locations/contexts and roles
	Student and parent contribution to Annual Review, Learning wheel and target setting
	Meeting with Connexions Advisor Encounters with students from local schools
	Enterprise activities e.g Xmas Fair
	Community Nursing Team protective behaviours courses as appropriate

Key Stage 4	Careers Education Focus
Year 10	Classroom lessons on Skills & Interests
	Functional Skills lessons understanding what jobs are for and introducing concepts of money
	On site work related learning activities such as post deliveries around school
	Student and parent contribution to individual learning wheel, Annual Review and target setting
	Encounters with students from local schools, on and off site (e.g. Sports Leaders, volunteers, work experience placements, themed days)
	Enterprise activities e.g. Xmas Fair
	Community Nursing Team protective behaviour courses as appropriate
	On site work experience placement as appropriate
Year 11	Visits to Skills and Employment fairs
	Education, Health & Care Plan Transition Review
	Working together with students and families to identify aspirations and goals for the future
	Supporting students with transition to college, or residential setting as appropriate
	Student and parent contribution to individual learning wheel, Annual Review and target setting
	Encounters with students from local schools, on and off site (e.g. Sports Leaders, volunteers, work experience placements, themed days)
	Enterprise activities e.g. Xmas Fair
	Liaison with Children's social care and Adult Transition team; referrals as appropriate
	Community Nursing Team protective behaviour courses as appropriate

Key Stage 5	Careers Education Focus
Year 12	Involvement in target setting and review
	Annual Review student presentation
	On or Off-Site work experience placement and/or volunteering in local business, charity or provider
	World of work day to access local employers and visits from/to representatives in local community
	Encounters with students from local schools, on and off site (e.g. Sports Leaders, volunteers, work experience placements, themed days)
	Enterprise activities e.g. Xmas Faire, Aylesbury Market Stall, fundraising and charity events
	Liaison with Children's social care and Adult Transition team; referrals as appropriate
	Community Nursing Team protective behaviours course
Year 13	Involvement in target setting and review
	Annual Review student presentation
	On or Off-Site work experience placement and/or volunteering in local business, charity or provider
	Continued classroom and on site work focusing on CVs, applications, interviews and behaviour where appropriate
	Visits to Skills and Employment Fairs
	First opportunity for students to apply for Vocational Internships at Project Search
	Encounters with students from local schools, on and off site (e.g. Sports Leaders, volunteers, work experience placements, themed days)
	Lessons focused on understanding and writing CVs, applying for jobs, interview practice and appropriate behaviour
	World of work day to access local employers and visits from/to representatives in local community
	Enterprise activities e.g. Xmas Faire, Aylesbury Market Stall, fundraising and charity events
	Liaison with Children's social care and Adult Transition team; referrals as appropriate
	Community Nursing Team protective behaviours course

Key Stage 5	Careers Education Focus
	Involvement in target setting and review
	Annual Review student presentation
	Continued participation in full range of on-site work related learning activities
	Visits to adults with disabilities e.g. in supported and/or independent living
	Off-site work experience placement (as relevant) in local business, or charity or service provider
	Involvement with Aylesbury Youth Action
	Continued classroom and on site work focusing on CVs, applications, interviews and behaviour where appropriate
Year 14	Visits to Skills and Employment Fairs
	Education, Health & Care Plan Transition Review
	Work with Connexions Advisor
	Liaison with Adult Transition team
	Working together with students and families to identify aspirations and goals for the future
	Supporting students with transition from school to appropriate further education placement e.g. programme of visits to colleges
	World of work day to access local employers and visits from/to representatives in local community
	Encounters with students from local schools, on and off site (e.g. Sports Leaders, volunteers, work experience placements, themed days)
	Enterprise activities e.g. Xmas Faire, Aylesbury Market Stall, fundraising and charity events
	Community Nursing Team protective behaviours course