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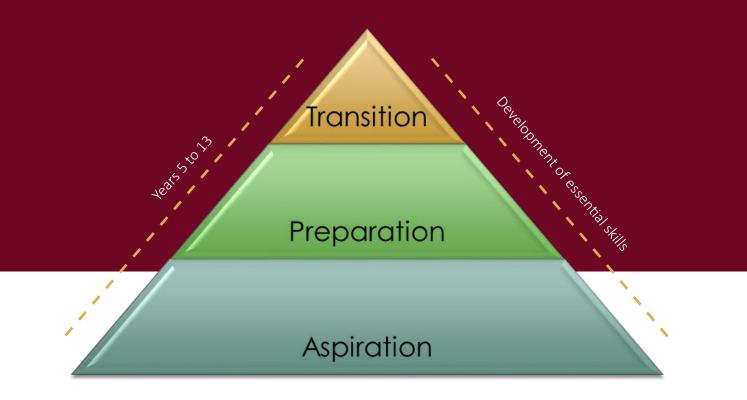
## We Value

Faith
Respect
Honesty
Tolerance
Generosity
Responsibility
Justice



# St Edward's Careers Programme Overview

St Edward's School provides a relevant, engaging and progressive careers programme that meets the individual needs of all our pupils. The careers programme develops with the pupils throughout their time at St Edward's running from Years 5 to 13 and is always supportive of their abilities, strengths and skills. We build close and positive relationships with all our pupils and their families, enabling us to provide bespoke, timely and flexible career support. The programme has three sections, aspiration, preparation and transition.



St Edward's careers programme aims to inspire and motivate pupils to develop as individuals through the acquisition of knowledge, confidence and skills to fulfil their potential. A positive career can be defined as that you are:

- Happy with the way you spend your time
- Positively contribute to your community
- Have a decent standard of living

The objective is that every pupil, on leaving St Edward's School, will be fully prepared to transition to a college place, apprenticeship or employment in an appropriate environment and thereby maximise their true potential.

St Edward's evaluates the programme through annual feedback from pupils, parents or carers and staff. Additionally, the collection and analysis of destination data informs the continual development of the programme.



# Aspiration, Preparation and Transition

### **Aspiration** – the ambition to achieve

Aspiration underpins the whole careers programme. Pupils acquire knowledge to make informed decisions through experiences and encounters with employers and further and higher educational establishments. Inspirational speakers, individual career guidance and guided research and exploration. Curriculum learning is explicitly linked to careers.

#### **Preparation** – to get ready

Preparation begins early. Pupils continually develop essential skills.

- Listening Speaking
- Problem Solving
- Creativity
- Staying Positive
- Aiming High
- Leadership
- Team Work

Pupils are encouraged and supported to think positively and make plans for their future.

#### **Transition** – to move on

Successfully transition is the goal of the programme.



### **Careers Programme Summary**

The careers programme runs from Years 5 to 13 and the following are applicable to all pupils in all year groups.

- Careers embedded in curriculum linking classroom learning to outside world
- Employability skills embedded in the curriculum
- Explicit Careers Education through RSHE, Life Skills and Outdoor Education lessons
- References made to careers on classroom displays
- Career specific display in communal areas
- Access to careers corner in the school library
- Annual offsite encounter at workplace
- Participation in careers day visits from external speakers / employers
- Pupils aspirations recorded and supported as part of annual review process (my views)
- Keyworker to support college application and transition process for pupil and family



# Careers Programme — Opportunities by Year Group

The following opportunities are age specific and support pupils at key points in their education

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Year	Opportunities
5 & 6	<ul> <li>Lower School pupil responsibilities – pupils have the opportunity to take a role in lower school and earn extra stars e.g., Lower School Librarian</li> <li>RSHE – Independence and Aspirations</li> </ul>
7 to 13	<ul> <li>Wider Horizons – opportunity to access work party and learn new skills, work as a team, gain experience and earn money</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Options presentation</li> <li>1:1 Options Interview with Head of Education</li> <li>Information presentations fro local colleges</li> </ul>
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### **Measurement of Impact**

St Edward's School uses SEN Compass tool to assess progress agains the Gatsby benchmarks, which enables the school to demonstrate that we are meeting the statutory government guideline on career education. The eighth Gatsby benchmarks of good career guidance are:

- 1. Stable careers programme
- 2. Learning from career and labour marking information
- 3. Addressing the needs of each pupil
- 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers
- 5. Encounters with employers and employees
- 6. Experiences of workplaces
- 7. Encounters with further and higher education
- 8. Personal guidance

