

Careers Programme of Study 2023-2024

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Curriculum (PSHE)	Careers lessons once a half term starting with my skills, my interests, my aspirations.	Spring unit building on Year 7 foundation focusing on understanding careers terminology, what success means and CV building.	Spring unit where pupils present the pathway to a chosen career, inviting pupils to explore GCSE options, linking with March National Careers Week and April preference interviews	Executive Function Skills and how they support school and work success. Work experience – how to apply and where to apply.	Autumn unit supporting post-16 options and choices, CV writing, preparing for interviews. Exploring apprenticeships, coping with changes.	Students spend the two Summer Terms exploring the choices, the best fit and options for them and beginning to complete personal statements and applications.	Autumn unit focusing on finalising personal statements, completing applications, interview skills and practise.
Extra support and opportunities throughout the year	September Careers Fair	September Careers Fair Two speakers throughout the year from approved providers of technical education	September Careers Fair Parent and pupil interviews to confirm Year 9 options	September Careers Fair Two speakers throughout the year from approved providers of technical education	September Careers Fair South Thames College talk, workshop (whole year group) and tour for pupils at risk of being NEET Skills workshop from South Thames College	Skills workshop from South Thames College Guest speakers	Guest speakers
Gatsby Benchmark (1)	2, 3, 4	2, 3, 4	2, 3, 4, 7	2, 3, 5, 6, 7	2, 3, 4, 7	1, 3, 4, 7, 8	3

Within the programme of study, departments and Year Leaders arrange whole year group or smaller group trips, workshops, assemblies and talks with employers, companies and organisations. These vary each year, depending on availability and changes to programmes.