

Year 13
Careers Education Information
Advice & Guidance



Careers Education Programme

All pupils in Year 13 have one 40 minute period of time-tabled Careers Education per week.

Lessons include the following topics:

- Skills developed through your A-levels
- Options developed through your A-level subjects
- Decisions about Higher Education
- UCAS process
- Courses at local Universities
- Courses at Further Education Colleges
- UCAS Course Search
- HEAP Online
- Taking a Gap Year
- Courses offered by Scottish Universities
- Courses offered by English and Welsh Universities
- Studying Abroad
- CAO Process
- UCAS Personal Statement

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All pupils in Year 13 have a one-to-one guidance interview with their Careers Tutor throughout the year to ensure they are continuing to develop their Personal Career Plan

Careers Information

The Careers Library is open from 8.50am to 5pm each day in term time and pupils are encouraged to use the resources there in study periods, before and after school and in break and lunch times.

Pupils and parents are also able to keep up-to-date with the latest Careers information by viewing the following:

- **Weekly Careers Bulletin**
Uploaded to the school website
- **Careers Diary**
Uploaded to the school website
- **Careers Section of the VLE**

A number of universities from across the UK and Ireland visit the school throughout the year and pupils are invited to the presentations given by the university representatives.

Work Based Learning

- **Work Shadowing**

Pupils in Year 13 have the opportunity to spend a period of five days planned absence for work shadowing which informs their decision making in relation to their general vocational and specific occupational needs.

- **Stand Alone Events**

These events are advertised through the weekly Careers Bulletin and include Taster Days, Open Days, Aptitude Test and Interview Training, School Leaver Programme Events, Ballymena Academy Careers Convention.

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