

Careers at John Grant 2018

Information for Parents

From September 2018 all schools are required to publish details of the Careers Programme.

Below is a brief outline of our Careers programme.

Our aim is to have a person centred approach throughout and for parents to be fully involved. For our most complex pupils we will seek to involve the pupil as much as possible and will work closely with parents to support them in Transition.

General Information

In April each year the school holds a Transition Parents Coffee Morning for all parents from Y9 -14. This is an opportunity for parents to meet face to face and talk informally to representatives from a wide range of organisations which support our students after they leave school.

Careers Leader

Bridget May is a qualified and experienced Careers Adviser employed by school two days per week to support students and parents through Transition from school to Adult.

Bridget works closely with class teachers other agencies and employers to develop the Careers Programme and to provide pupils and parents with impartial & independent Personal Guidance on Transition issues throughout upper school.

Year 9

Pupils work with the Careers Adviser 1:1 or in small groups to identify their aspirations and ideas in preparation for the Year 9 Annual Review of the Education Health & Care Plan.

The Careers Adviser attends the Year 9 Review of the Education & Health Care Plan .In this meeting as part of the review process we are asked to look ahead and start to make plans for the future. This is called Transition Planning and a Transition Plan forms part of the review meetings from Y9 to Y14.

Where appropriate pupils will take part in a taster day at a local college

Key Stage 4 (years 10-11)

Small Group sessions in Years 10 & 11 focus on decision making skills, opportunity awareness including colleges and the world of work.

In year 11 parents and pupils have to opportunity for 1:1 Personal Guidance interview to discuss the range of options available in depth and to develop an Action Plan

Further Education Unit (Post 16)

Post 16 students have ongoing access to 1:1 support and Personal Guidance. In the FE Unit much of the curriculum is focussed on preparation for Adult hood and leaving school. Students take part in a wide range of activities including; -

Visits to colleges and opportunity providers

Employer led workshops including mock interviews and job applications

Work experience

Participation in Careers events such as Jobs and Careers Fairs

Link courses to college for those pupils moving on to college

Identifying and presenting information about themselves through Progress Files, Profiles & CVs

Students & Parents are supported in their choices through 1:1 Personal Guidance and assistance is given with practical issues such as transport and finance.

The Transition Support Teacher supports pupils and parents in visiting colleges and other providers on a 1:1 basis and works with local providers and Adult Services to identify pathways.

