ASHLYNS CAREERS PROGRAMME: STUDENT JOURNEY

Structured around the Gatsby Benchmarks, a framework of eight standards that define world-class careers guidance for young people in England, our careers programme is designed to inspire and prepare students for the future. The time-line below shows the journey our students take throughout their time with us.

YEAR 7-9

Thinking about the future

- **Careers Resources:** Unifrog online careers platform tutor time sessions.
- **Key Events:** Y8 Character workshop, Y9 Option choices linking to Career Pathways, Y9 Assessment Centre workshop, Y9 Biennial Careers EXPO.
- **Experience:** Y8 Work Shadowing Day in November. Y9 Work Shadowing Day in March. Y9 First Give project in June.
- **Skills & Learning:** Y7-9 PSHE Values curriculum. Y7-9 PSHE Careers lessons. Y7-9 My Character programme (tutor time).
- **Engagement:** Y7 Step Into the NHS competition, Employer engagement events and curriculum-linked trips, National Apprenticeship Week and National Careers Week events, plus two encounters in Y8 and Y9 linked to technical education and apprenticeships. The Careers & Enterprise Company Future Skills questionnaire.
- **Leadership Opportunities:** Y7-8 Learning Ambassador Programme, Y9 Sports Leaders and Language Leaders Programme.

YEAR 10-11

Exploring the future

- **Key Events:** Y10 Focus on Your Future Extended Learning Day, Y10 Mock Interview event. Biennial Careers EXPO.
- **Experience:** Y10 Work Experience Week in June.
- **Skills & Workshops:** Employability Skills development, Work Experience preparation, Researching labour market opportunities. Unifrog tutor time sessions.
- **Engagement:** Employer engagement events and curriculum-led trips, National Apprenticeship Week and National Careers Week events, The Careers & Enterprise Company Future Skills questionnaire, Y11 College Assemblies. Alumni Assembly presentations. Two encounters in Y10 and Y11 linked to technical education and apprenticeships. VESPA Academy.
- **Leadership Opportunities:** Prefect and Senior Prefect Programme.
- **Guidance**: Y11 Careers guidance meeting with an independent Careers Adviser.

YEAR 12-13

Experiencing the future

- **Key Events:** Post-18 Options Day, Biennial Careers EXPO, UCAS Discovery Day. Parent/Student Post-18 Evening.
- **Experience:** Work Experience Week in July. Ongoing virtual work experience opportunities/programmes.
- **Skills & Workshops:** Degree Apprenticeship workshops. Unifrog sessions. The Careers & Enterprise Company Future Skills questionnaire.
- **Engagement:** Careers Enrichment Day, Y13 Oxbridge Workshops. Two encounters in Y12 and Y13 linked to technical education and apprenticeships. VESPA Academy. Brain Banking including MOOC's. Application support for students considering university or degree apprenticeship pathways.
- **Leadership Opportunities:** Head Student and Sixth Form Executive. Prefects and House Captains.
- **Guidance:** Opportunity for Y12 Careers guidance meeting with an independent Careers Adviser.