



ST EDWARD'S SCHOOL FUTURE CHOICES BULLETIN

YEAR 10

WELCOME

Welcome to the Year 10 Autumn edition of the Future Choices bulletin. The aim of the Future Choices bulletin is to keep you informed about careers education at St Edward's School, and also other issues related to employability.

We would like to encourage parents and carers to talk with their children about the world of work and the endless opportunities open to them. Actively exploring their ideas helps to develop students' self-awareness and encourages them to appreciate the relevance of why it is important.

CAREERS EXPERIENCE

Later on in the year we will be launching our Careers Experience programme. Careers Experience, or "work experience" as it is sometimes known is a vital part of outstanding careers education. It is a valuable opportunity for students to gain an insight into the world of work and can be the first step in deciding upon a career.

Our careers experience week will take place in September 2022 and the students will be expected to research and secure their own placements. We will launch the process with the students next term and will be writing home to all parents and carers with all of the necessary details.

CAREERS EDUCATION IN PSHE

This term students have been looking at the topic of "Your Ideal Career And You", which encourages students to consider ways in which they can further develop their skills in order to achieve the dreams and aspirations they have. We will be supporting students with these skills by running the Mock Interview programme during the Spring term, which involves students perfecting their CV and having an experience of a professional interview with a local employer. This experience will enable them to see what skills local employers are looking for and also enable them to develop their confidence and communication skills going forward.

LOCAL LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION

To the right is an outline of the local labour market information for the South West region. This gives students and their families a clear outline of what is going on across the job and employment market across the south

west region. Looking at information like this can be valuable for students as they begin to plot their own future careers.

CAREERS WEBSITE

We have recently developed the Careers Section of our website to provide useful resources and information for students as well as Parents and Carers. We would encourage all Parents and Carers to follow the link below to access these and also look from our Careers Education Plan for this academic year, which shows which activities are on offer for students across the school.

<https://website.network.st-edwards.poole.sch.uk/information/careers/>

CAREERS BREAKFASTS

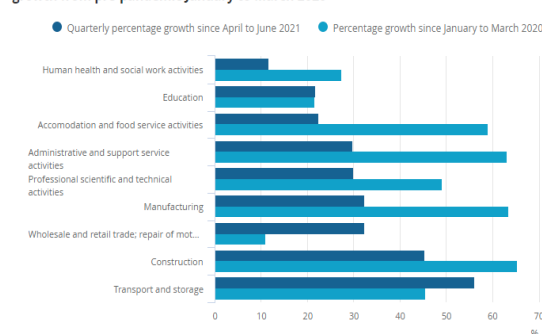
During the academic year, we invite various employers in to talk to students about their industry during registration time. Last week we had James from R&W Civil Engineering to talk to students who are interested in Engineering or construction about what this sector involves. We are looking to run these sessions 15 times a year during registration time.

Students are encouraged to attend as many of these as possible as it enables them to discover more about an industry whether this then makes them realise they would like to pursue this or to rule something out.

This half term we are due to welcome Dorset Police in to deliver a talk so students will be encouraged to attend this if they are interested in finding out more about public and uniformed services in general. We will also welcome Rockley Watersports to talk to students about careers within Sport in general, as well as the opportunities that they offer for post 16 course options. Students find out about these opportunities via the weekly bulletin which is shared with them via their tutor. Alternatively they can contact Mrs Eastwood for any upcoming careers opportunities.

If you are a Parent or Carer who works for a business who would like to be involved in these talks, please do also make contact with Mrs Eastwood.

July to September 2021 three-month average vacancies in the UK, quarterly percentage growth from April to June 2021 and percentage growth from pre-pandemic January to March 2020



CAREERS CONTACTS

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