

Careers provision at St Josephs

Information for parents

St Joseph's is committed to providing good quality careers information, advice and guidance to your child and we value the key role parents play in this process which will allow them to set and achieve their goals and dreams.

We work with a number of local businesses and providers of impartial careers advice to make sure that we are supporting students every step of the way. Some of the organisations we work with include:

- Inspira
- The University of Cumbria
- Hello Future
- Gen2
- Women in Engineering
- West Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership
- A large selection of local and national employers
- Local apprenticeship providers
- Local sixth forms and colleges

Each year group follow a careers education program which aims to raise aspiration and provide pupils with a clear understanding of the various options and pathways available to them in order to help them achieve their goals.

Our program starts in year 7 and 8 where students have dedicated lessons learning about the world of work and the relevance of labour market information and action planning.

During years 9,10 and 11 students have dedicated Tutor time and "off timetable" sessions where they focus on making important decisions about their future careers and what courses and training they can do to reach their career destination.

During year 10 all students have the opportunity to take part in one week of work experience. They will be supported with this through dedicated lesson and tutorial time. Students will also take part in a "Work Ready Day" which will involve a series of workshops aimed at preparing them for the work of work and will end with a mock interview from a real industry profession. They will also have the opportunity to visit a University or College.

In addition to planned careers activities all year 11 students will have a one to one careers interview with a qualified careers professional providing them with valuable impartial careers information, advice and guidance as well as attending workshops and talks from several Sixth Forms, Colleges and Apprenticeship providers.

Parents can also refer their child for additional careers information, advice and guidance by contact paula.jackson@sjchs.uk