

Careers and the World of Work

STUDENT ENTITLEMENT

During Key Stage 3 you are entitled to partake in opportunities in the PSE programme that will help investigate the World of Work. Our school works in close partnership with Careers Wales to offer you a comprehensive programme of activities in the areas of CEG and WRE that will help prepare you for the world of work, or further education and training. Staff will also work in partnership with your parents/guardians who will be invited to an evening meeting to discuss your progress in subjects and your personal development.

You will also be provided with opportunities to receive advice, information and guidance from your Form Tutor, Careers Teacher and your Careers Wales Advisor

They will talk to you about a number of issues:

- ☀ How the world of work is changing
- ☀ The types of jobs/training that might be available to you in the future
- ☀ How you can develop your skills, abilities and interests to help you choose the right pathway at Key Stage 4
- ☀ How to find careers information- about different courses, the qualifications you might need and what opportunities there might be
- ☀ How to plan for the future.

A programme of Work-related events has been devised in Years 7-9 that you can the knowledge and skills required to confidently tackle the future

- **PSE lessons**- that allow you to develop your knowledge about yourself and the world around you
- **Careers Wales Online** - You will be given access to the website which contains a lot of good advice
- Using the **careers library** - Investigate information available in books, videos, leaflets and on computer
- **Dynamo** - A chance for you to meet employers who will tell you about their careers and how they have started their own business ventures
- **Careers Days** - Activities like the Real Game and presentations from a variety of employers
- **Young Entrepreneurs** - A chance for you to develop your talents of entrepreneurship
- Other subject lessons linked to careers

THROUGHOUT THE PROGRAMME YOU CAN EXPECT TO BE:

- Treated as an individual but equally with others
- Given up-to-date careers information an impartial advice
- Treated with respect by visitors to the school who are part of the careers programme
- Given extra help of you require it
- Offered an appointment with the school Careers Advisor to discuss your views and ideas
- Given the chance to keep a record of your achievements and progress over the year and to write about your experience in work

SOME FURTHER ASSISTANCE TO HELP YOU DECIDE:

If you are uncertain about your future or need some help in planning your learning pathway, take a look at these websites - they may help.

Careers Wales - www.careerswales.com - An award winning site offering a wealth of information about careers and learning pathways. You can build your own e-portfolio, take part in online quizzes and get lots of good advice on how to plan your future.

Connexions - www.connexions-direct.com - Click on the link fir Career DIY, then choose an area you would like to work in. You will be given information about ideas and qualifications needed for that career.

S-cool - www.s-cool.co.uk - This website gives you lots of information about choosing subjects. It also gives you information about some of the things you can do with the subjects you are thinking of choosing