

Provider Access Statement

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the school for the purposes of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Student entitlement

All pupils in years 8 -11 are entitled to:

- find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships opportunities, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point
- hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education, training, apprenticeships, assemblies, group discussions, taster events, volunteer speakers, careers fairs and visits to local employers
- understand how to make applications for the full range of courses.
- find out about opportunities as part of a careers programme which provides information on a range of post-16 options available.

Management of provider access requests

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

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Cath Bridgeman - career advisor
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Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Secondary Pathway 1	Weekly discrete career lessons	Weekly discrete career lessons	Weekly discrete career lessons
Key Stage 3 Y7, Y8, Y9	Assembly and tutor group opportunities Collapsed timetable for enterprise activities Opportunities for guest speakers & workshops	Assembly and tutor group opportunities Collapsed timetable for enterprise activities Opportunities for guest speakers & workshops	Assembly and tutor group opportunities Collapsed timetable for enterprise activities Opportunities for guest speakers & workshops
Secondary Pathway 3	Weekly discrete career lessons	Weekly discrete career lessons	Weekly discrete career lessons
Key Stage 4 Y10 & Y11	Collapsed timetable for enterprise activities Visits to local colleges linked to post-16 choices and decision making Visits to local industries to explore career pathways	Collapsed timetable for enterprise activities Visits to local colleges linked to post-16 choices and decision making Visits to local industries to explore career pathways	Collapsed timetable for enterprise activities Visits to local colleges linked to post-16 choices and decision making Visits to local industries to explore career pathways

The policies on safeguarding and visitors sets out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students. These can be found on the school website

www.watermillschool.co.uk

Premises and facilities

The school will make the sports hall, conference room and classrooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity.

The school will also make available TEAMS, computing and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with a member of the career team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their literature at reception.

