

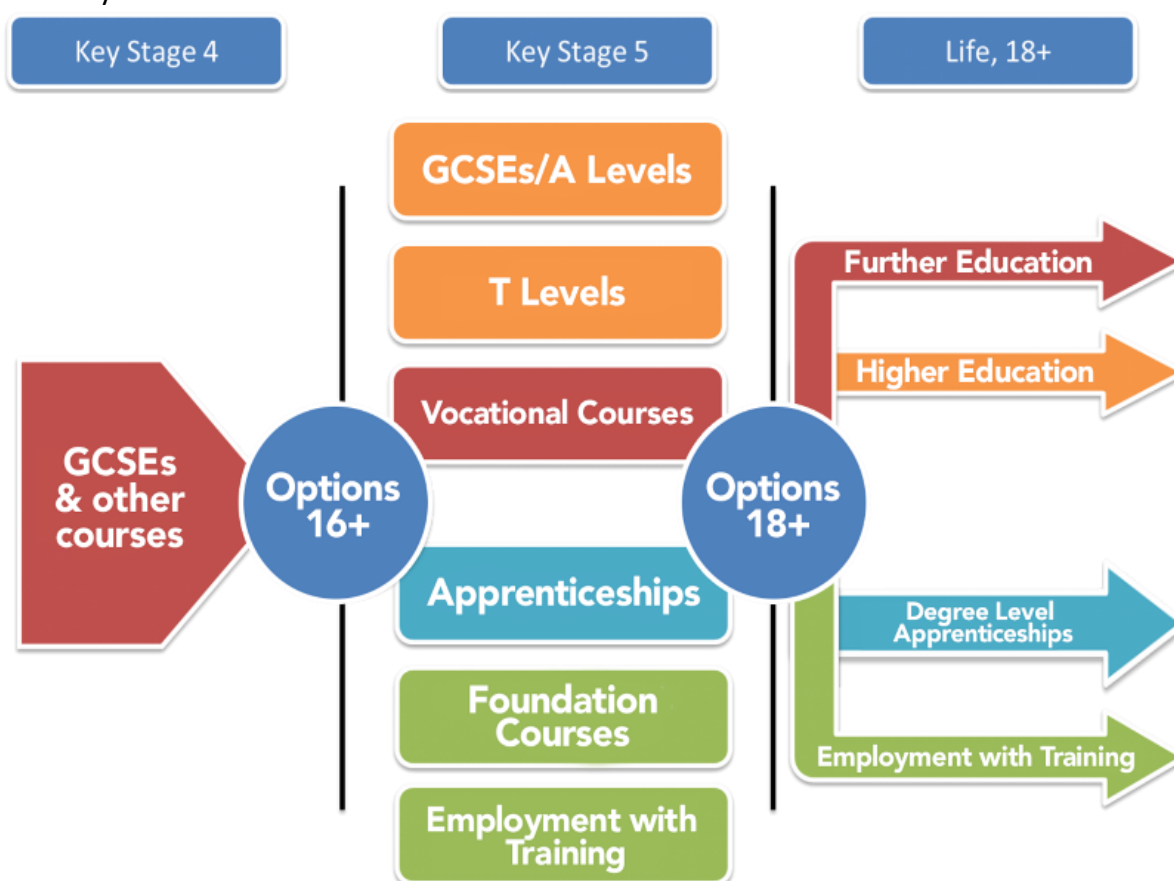
### Careers Education – 2023 – 2024

*'We are curious, we ask questions we delve and discover. We seek experiences which will broaden our horizons and we are equipped to manage the unknown; we are brave and knowledgeable,'*

#### Career objectives

- To build **aspirations** in our young people
- Ensure all students know the variety of **pathways** they can take beyond school
- Provide **resources** to support investigation of careers
- Knowledge of where to go to find **support**

#### Pathways



## The Parents' Guide to ... career pathways

Options after GCSE:	Options after sixth form:	Options after Higher education:	Strengthen job applications with:
Full time study	Full time study	Full time study	Work experience
A levels	University	Postgraduate study e.g Masters degree or PHD	Volunteering
T Levels	Higher technical skill courses e.g. foundation degree, HNC/Ds	Work / work and study	Travel/gap years
BTECs	Work and study	Graduate jobs or paid employment	Hobbies and interests demonstrating soft skills
Other technical qualifications	Apprenticeships (levels 3-7)	Apprenticeships (levels 6-7)	Academic enrichment opportunities
Exam retakes	School leaver programmes / Internships / Traineeships	Internships / work experience	Testimonials and references
Work and study	Work	Non-paid employment / volunteering	
Apprenticeships (levels 2-3)	Employment	Start a business	
Supported internships	Start a business	Other	
Traineeships	Other	Gap Year / travel	
	Gap Year		
	Exam retakes		

### Find out more:



If you're interested in other ways you can help your teen gain the competitive advantage, mostly by doing things they enjoy - click here.

## Work Experience – 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

- Developing key employability skills such as communication skills, problem-solving, critical thinking, resilience, time management
- A better understanding of changes in the world of work and your own career choices
- Preparation for the transition from school to the workplace
- Increased chances of successful applications to college, sixth form, university, jobs and apprenticeships
- First hand experience of a working environment
- Networking: building connections with potential future employers and professionals who can provide references

### Placements

**Self-selected placements** - Students are able to find their own placements; these placements will need to be checked by the school. To support students with their post-16 choices and career opportunities, it would be most beneficial if they were able to source a placement linked to their area of interest. Self placement form has been proved for the employers to complete.

**School placement** - The school will endeavour to find suitable placements for all students that match their needs. We will be asking students to give thought to the type of placement they may want; we would appreciate you having a conversation at home to support this.



## How can I support my child?

**Talk** – discuss the pathways – what are they good at? What are they interested in doing?

**Pathways** – find out about the pathways that might be suitable

**Colleges and schools** – post 16 courses, help them to explore their options

**College applications** - Keep on top of the application process and ask questions

**Reassure them** – It's ok if they don't know what they want to do yet.

Empower them – help direct them with their future

## Here are some useful links to support your child in thinking about their future

[www.nationalcareersweek.com](http://www.nationalcareersweek.com)

[www.theparentsguideto.co.uk](http://www.theparentsguideto.co.uk)

<https://www.talkingfutures.org.uk/pathways-at-16/>

<https://www.theparentsguideto.co.uk/>

<https://www.theparentsguideto.co.uk/post/talking-to-your-teen>

<https://nationalcareersweek.com/parents-guide-2023/>

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