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Welcome to Easington Academy's July 2024 Careers Newsletter.

The careers newsletter aims to keep students and their families with all the latest information about careers and Post-16 opportunities.

All students at Easington Academy receive targeted careers education within World Ready Sessions and within the curriculum, focusing on subject specific careers information. In addition, we provide students with a range of opportunities to access up-to-date careers information through workshops, career fairs, external events and from visitors in school.

Our Careers Programme can be accessed here: [Careers information](#) | [Easington Academy](#)

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Reflecting on Success: A Year of Career Events and Opportunities

As we wrap up the 2023-2024 academic year, we are thrilled to celebrate the incredible success of our comprehensive careers provision here at Easington Academy. We are proud to announce that we have met all 8 Gatsby Benchmarks, providing our students with a well-rounded and immersive career education.

This year, our students have enjoyed a diverse array of experiences, including visits to post-16 providers, experience days, and residential trips to prestigious Russell Group universities. Every Year 11 student received personalised 1:1 career guidance, ensuring they are well-prepared for their future endeavours.

Our highlight event, World of Work Week, was a phenomenal success. Employers from various sectors engaged students with interactive, hands-on activities, making career exploration accessible and exciting for all year groups. Additionally, all Year 10 students completed five days of work experience, gaining invaluable insights into the professional world.

We are also proud of our students who achieved their Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh Awards, showcasing their dedication and perseverance. Throughout the year, we celebrated all national careers initiatives, such as National Careers Week, further enriching our students' career journeys.

None of this would have been possible without the unwavering support of our stakeholders. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has contributed to the success of our careers programme this year. Together, we have empowered our students to explore, experience, and excel in their future careers.

Here's to another year of success and opportunity at Easington Academy!

*Let's
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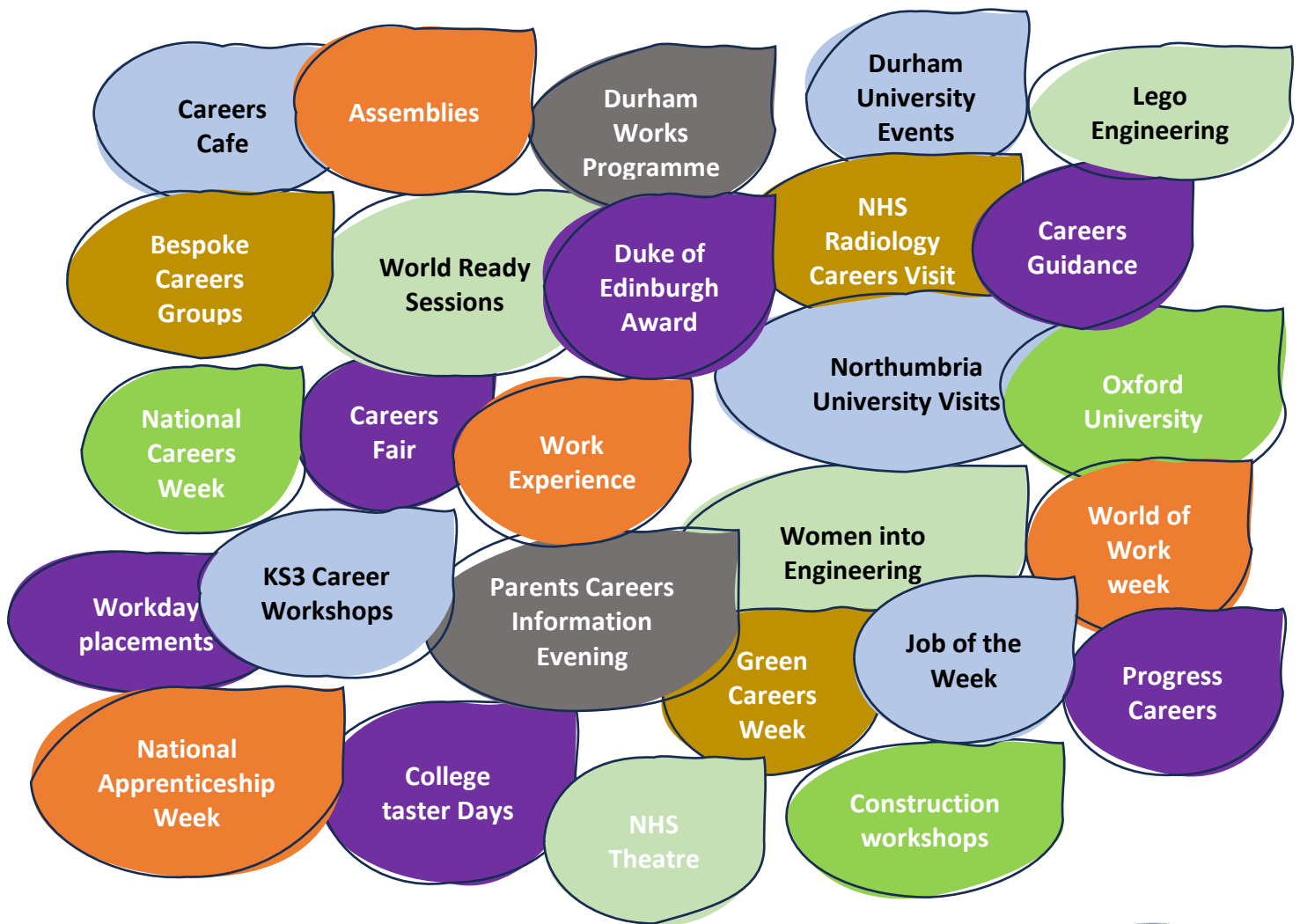


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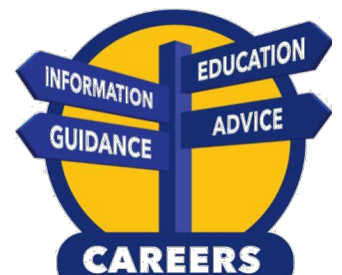
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A Snapshot of Careers Events and Initiatives 2023-2024



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Year 10 Work Experience

Our Year 10 students have had an incredibly successful week with their work experience placements this year. These opportunities allowed them to step into various professional environments, gaining firsthand insights into the world of work. The skills and knowledge they acquired during these five-day placements have been invaluable, providing them with a clearer understanding of potential career pathways. By engaging in real-world tasks and responsibilities, our students have developed crucial employability skills such as teamwork, communication, and problem-solving. These experiences not only enhance their CVS (Curriculum Vitae) but also help them make more informed decisions about their future education and career choices. We are immensely proud of our Year 10s for embracing these opportunities and setting a strong foundation for their future success.



College Taster Days

Our Year 10 students had the invaluable opportunity to attend several colleges and sixth form taster days, where they explored potential subjects, they might study in the future. These taster days provided students with a glimpse into the variety of courses available, helping them to make more informed decisions about their academic paths. Additionally, they gained essential insights into the labour market, understanding the skills and qualifications in demand and how different subjects can align with their career aspirations. These experiences are incredibly valuable, as they not only broaden students' horizons but also empower them to make confident, well-informed choices about their future education and career pathways.



Oxford University Residential

Our Year 10 students were thrilled to embark on an educational visit to Oxford University. The experience provided them with an invaluable opportunity to learn about a wide range of degree programmes and subjects offered at this prestigious institution. During their visit, they gained insights into university life and had the chance to explore many of the historic and beautiful colleges that make up Oxford University. This trip was both inspiring and informative, helping to shape their future academic aspirations.





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**CAREER
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How You can help your child be Career Ready

Introduction: As your child embarks on their secondary school journey, they will have numerous opportunities to explore various career paths and build skills essential for their future. Here's how you can support and encourage them to make the most of the careers provision available this year.

Talk About Interests and Strengths:

- Regularly discuss your child's interests, hobbies, and strengths. Understanding what excites them can provide valuable clues about potential career paths.
- Encourage your child to express their aspirations and listen actively without judgement.

Attend Career Fairs and Workshops:

- Encourage your child to participate in school-organised career fairs and workshops. These events provide exposure to different industries and professionals.
- Whenever possible, attend these events with your child to show your support and interest in their future.

Support Extracurricular Activities:

- Encourage involvement in clubs, sports, and volunteer work. These activities help develop transferable skills such as leadership, teamwork, and time management.
- Highlight the importance of soft skills, which are valuable in any career.

Help with Goal Setting:

- Assist your child in setting short-term and long-term career goals. Break these goals into manageable steps to make them less overwhelming.
- Encourage them to create a career action plan, including academic requirements, skill development, and extracurricular activities.

Share Your Experiences:

- Share your own career journey, including the challenges and successes. This can provide valuable lessons and inspiration.
- Introduce your child to professionals in various fields and encourage them to ask questions and seek advice.

Encourage Resilience and Adaptability:

- Teach your child that career paths can be non-linear and that setbacks are opportunities for growth. Encourage resilience and adaptability in the face of challenges.

Conclusion: Supporting your child's career exploration is a collaborative effort that involves open communication, active participation, and ongoing encouragement. By being involved and providing guidance, you can help your child make informed decisions and feel confident about their future.



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College Websites

Byron Sixth Form: <https://www.st-bedes.durham.sch.uk/byron-sixth-form-college/>

Durham Sixth Form Centre: <http://www.durhamsixthformcentre.org.uk/>

East Durham College: <https://www.eastdurham.ac.uk/>

English Martyrs Sixth Form: <https://ems6.bhcet.org.uk/>

Hartlepool Sixth Form: <https://www.hartlepoolsixth.ac.uk/>

Hartlepool College: <https://www.hartlepoolfe.ac.uk/>

Middlesbrough College: <https://www.mbro.ac.uk/school-leavers>

New College Durham: <https://newcollegedurham.ac.uk/>

Northern School of Art: <https://northernart.ac.uk/>

Sunderland College: <https://www.sunderlandcollege.ac.uk/>

Newcastle College: [College Courses For 16 to 18 Year Olds \(ncl-coll.ac.uk\)](http://College Courses For 16 to 18 Year Olds (ncl-coll.ac.uk))

Useful Careers Websites

National Careers Service:

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>

Prospects: <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/>

ICould: <https://icould.com/>

Careers Box: [Home - CareersBox](#)

Careers4U: [Careers4u –](#)

Labour Market Information (LMI) Careerometer

Careerometer lets you compare the average wages and working hours of up to three jobs in England. You can also use it to find out the predicted demand for these jobs in the future.

How to use it: Type in the first career that you're interested in and select from the drop-down list, then add your second and third choices to see the comparison.

Check it out here: [Careerometer – LMI For All](#)

You could also check out the **National Careers Service:** [Careers advice - job profiles, information and resources | National Careers Service](#) They provide careers information, advice and guidance. They can help you make decisions at all stages in your career.



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