

Careers entitlement Statement

All Howden School students will receive Careers Guidance to prepare them for key transition points in Year 8 and Year 11 and as an important part of preparation for their future working life. Our aim is to provide informative and impartial careers education, opportunities to develop employability skills and information advice and guidance for all learners.

Year 7, 8 and 9 students will be taught a programme of Careers Education as part of their PSHCE lessons and tutor sessions, focusing on career pathways, aspirations and employability skills.

In Year 8, students will be supported through the options process as they make the transition to Key Stage 4. There will be assemblies, meetings with parents and guidance booklets. Where required, students will have interviews with members of staff, which parents can attend, if they wish.

In Year 10, all students have the opportunity to participate in Work Experience, to help prepare them for their future working life and to develop their employability skills. Assemblies and tutor work will also focus on careers education. They will begin to complete a record of their employability skills.

In Year 11, all students will have a weekly Careers lesson to help them prepare for their transition to Post-16 courses and to prepare them for their future working life and careers. The school will support learners to write CVs and applications for Post-16 college placements or apprenticeships. Learners will also complete an Employability Passport, which will give them the opportunity to demonstrate how they have prepared for the world of work whilst they are at school.

All Year 11 students will also receive at least one face to face careers interview with a qualified and impartial careers advisor.

The PSHCE and Careers lessons will be supported by a range of educational visits and Deep Learning Day activities from Year 7 to Year 11.

SEN and vulnerable students will have additional support to prepare them for their option choices and Post 16 choices. Including; meetings with school staff, specialist careers advisors, meetings with parents and visits to colleges, where appropriate.