

Policy Statement on Provider Access - 2022

Vandyke Upper School

Access Policy Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the school for the purpose 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.

Pupil entitlement

All Students in years 8 to 13 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;
- to hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact **Thomas Lally (Deputy Headteacher)** on **01525 636 700**.

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 or their parents or carers – please see table on page 2.

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 9	Options Lessons in Lifeskills Employability Skills Workshops Local Market Information Assembly	Options Evening / Choices National Apprenticeship Assemblies National Careers Assemblies Options Interviews	GCSE Options begin Virtual Work Experience Opportunities
Year 10	Employability skills in Lifeskills Local Market Information Assembly CV Writing	Future Pathways Evening National Apprenticeship Assemblies National Apprenticeship Show National Careers Assemblies	
Year 11			
Year 12	Higher Education Fair for a variety of HE providers including local Further Education colleges Post-18 assembly – higher and degree apprenticeships	Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options Meetings with careers adviser	Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options Meetings with careers adviser
Year 13	Workshops – HE and higher apprenticeship applications	Meetings with careers adviser	Confirmation of post 18 education destinations for all students

Please speak to our Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the theatre, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available ICT and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Library, which is managed by the school librarian and/or the Sixth Form Learning Centre. The Library and Sixth Form Learning Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times.