

# Devizes School

## PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY



### Introduction

This policy statement sets out the School's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils 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

Students in Years 8-13 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 evenings, 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: **Mr D Fiddament (Vice Principal):**

Telephone: (01380) 724886 / Email: [dfiddament@devizes.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:dfiddament@devizes.wilts.sch.uk)

#### 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 pupils and/or their parents.

	<b>Autumn Term</b>	<b>Spring Term</b>	<b>Summer Term</b>
<b>Year 8</b>	Event for University Technical Colleges Drop down day – introduction to careers	Life Skills - assembly and tutor group opportunities	Life Skills - assembly and tutor group opportunities
<b>Year 9</b>	Event for University Technical Colleges Drop down day – discussions with professionals Gender stereotyping careers info Pre option tutor booklet	KS4 options event Assemblies intro Tutor Option booklets	
<b>Year 10</b>	Life Skills - work experience preparation sessions Futures Day in December Assembly on Post 16 options	Tutor program focus on careers	Life Skills - assembly and tutor group opportunities Post-16 taster sessions and /or visit to local employer
<b>Year 11</b>	Life Skills - assembly on opportunities at 16 Information evening on Post 16 options with outside speakers	Post 16 evening	

	<b>Autumn Term</b>	<b>Spring Term</b>	<b>Summer Term</b>
<b>Year 12</b>	<p>Tutor programme focus &amp; Enrichment Day on post 18 options with Masterplan workbooks</p> <p>Local higher Education Fair</p> <p>Ongoing Post-18 assemblies - apprenticeships/higher ed/employability skills etc</p> <p>Independent Learning Skills conference with consultant</p> <p>Ongoing email bulletin for post 18 prep opportunity eg. Subject conferences/taster days &amp; weekends</p> <p>NCS/EPQ options for boosting post 18 applications</p> <p>Month abroad opportunity with Camps International for Gap year students</p>	<p>Enrichment sessions: future education, training and employment options</p> <p>Enrichment afternoon on personal finance post 18 (incl.self employment)</p> <p>Access to careers consultant for individual guidance</p> <p>Tutor Programme focus/Masterplan workbook.</p> <p>Work experience programme for H&amp;SC students</p> <p>Individual local work experience opportunity arranged whenever possible in non-lesson time.</p> <p>Ongoing peer mentoring scheme to boost applications led by international rugby player Thinus Delpoit</p>	<p>Enrichment sessions: future education, training and employment options</p> <p>Cardiff University Open Day visit</p> <p>UCAS university conference visit</p> <p>Workshop on university options/alternatives with external consultants</p> <p>Personal statement writing workshop with university consultant</p> <p>Personal statement/cv coaching with specialists</p> <p>Targeted individual options for Oxbridge/university summer schools</p> <p>Employability Skills workshop</p> <p>Parent pack sent out with post 18 guidance</p> <p>Y12 progression exams/targeted parents eve/resit week for struggling students to boost predicted grades pre-applications.</p>
<b>Year 13</b>	<p>Employer mock interview day (with interview skills workshop).</p> <p>Assemblies on university process/apprenticeships/gap year options</p> <p>Tutor Programme topics on post 18 options/masterplans</p> <p>Enrichment Workshops - HE and higher apprenticeship applications/employability skills</p> <p>Personal Statement/CV coaching sessions</p> <p>Tutor coaching for individual university applications</p> <p>Access to careers consultant for individual advice</p> <p>Individual coaching for Oxbridge interviews/exams with mock interviews</p> <p>Targeted work experience opportunity for non-university students</p>	<p>Student finance workshop with university consultant</p> <p>Personal finance workshop incl. Self employment</p> <p>Targeted workshop for non university students confirming their plan</p> <p>Tutor coaching for students still undecided about post 18 options/access to careers consultant</p> <p>Mock exams and Parents Eve to improve exam performance for post 18 applications</p>	<p>Individual coaching sessions in school following results in August eg.clearing/alternatives.</p> <p>Dedicated direct phone line to Head of 6<sup>th</sup> Form for students/parents during results week</p>

Please speak to Mr Fiddament to identify the most suitable opportunity for you. The School's policy on safeguarding sets out the approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students. The Safeguarding Policy is available on our website [www.devizesschool.co.uk](http://www.devizesschool.co.uk)

**Premises and facilities**

The School will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The School will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with Mr Fiddament.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with Mr Fiddament who will distribute the relevant information to pupils.

**Approved by Devizes School Governing Body .....**

**Next review date:**

**Person Responsible:** Mr D Fiddament (Vice Principal)