

Blackburn with Darwen L.A.

St. Thomas's Centre

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 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 pupils 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 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:

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Careers lead

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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/carers.

A letter explaining each event will be sent to parents and discussed with pupils in school.

These consist of:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	<p>Introduction to the World of Work - Speakers invited into school from a variety of Employment sectors.</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy saving(Science Department) • Understanding Democracy 	<p>Continuation of learning about jobs and the world of work through presentations from guest speakers.</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industry Day • International Day for the Elimination of Discrimination • Women’s International Day 	<p>Introduction to and preparation for Careers education, decision making and careers guidance interviews.</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Fair Trade • World Environment Day
Year 9	<p>Visits to local FE colleges. Speakers invited into school from a variety of Employment sectors.</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy saving(Science Department) • Understanding Democracy 	<p>Careers Guidance Interviews. World of Work – speakers invited into school from different employment sectors. DACA Careers event – Business Skills</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industry Day • International Day for the Elimination of Discrimination • Women’s International Day 	<p>Career Inspiration Days in: Creative Arts Health, Wellbeing and Society STEM</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Fair Trade • World Environment Day
Year 10	<p>Awareness of Post 16 options through attendance at Blackburn Cathedral Careers Convention Event. VIP tour of local FE college. Training Provider visit to gain information on Apprenticeships and Traineeships</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy saving(Science Department) • Understanding Democracy <p>PSHE : Introduction to Diversity, Prejudice and Discrimination</p>	<p>NEET event – mini careers convention organised by New Directions. DACA Careers event – Business Skills. Health Service Careers Event</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industry Day • International Day for the Elimination of Discrimination • Women’s International Day <p>PSHE: Democracy. Financial Planning and Economic Wellbeing</p>	<p>College Taster Days Individual Careers Guidance interviews. Local employer visits</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Fair Trade • World Environment Day <p>PSHE: Making informed career choices. Behaviour and Practices in the workplace.</p>

<p>Year 11</p>	<p>Awareness of Post 16 options through attendance at Blackburn Cathedral Careers Convention Event. VIP tour of local FE college. Training Provider visit to gain information on Apprenticeships and Traineeships. Individual careers guidance interviews. Army Careers Talk.</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy saving (Science Department) • Understanding Democracy <p>PSHE: Living in the wider world.</p>	<p>NEET event – mini careers convention organised by New Directions. DACA Careers event – Business Skills. ASK project presentation- information and advice session on Apprenticeships. Individual careers guidance interviews. Presentation in school from Myerscough College. Enterprise for All course.</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industry Day • International Day for the Elimination of Discrimination • Women’s International Day <p>PSHE: Democracy. Financial Planning and Economic Wellbeing</p>	<p>Careers Guidance interviews. College Induction , Familiarisation and Taster days.</p> <p>SMSC topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Fair Trade • World Environment Day <p>PSHE: Making informed career choices. Behaviour and Practices in the workplace.</p>
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Approving Body & Date

Signed on behalf of Management Committee Chair and Head Teacher: *D. Thomson*
(Vice Chair)

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