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EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY STATEMENT

Witherslack Group is committed to the fair treatment of all in line with the Equality Act 2010. An equality impact assessment has been completed on this policy to ensure that it can be implemented consistently regardless of any protected characteristics and all will be treated with dignity and respect.

ENVIRONMENT, SOCIAL, GOVERNANCE (ESG) STATEMENT

Witherslack Group is committed to responsible business practices in the areas of: Environmental Stewardship, Social Responsibility, Governance, Ethics & Compliance. An ESG impact assessment has been completed on this procedure/protocol to ensure it can be implemented successfully without adverse implications on our Group goals.

To ensure that this procedure/protocol is relevant and up to date, comments and suggestions for additions or amendments are sought from users of this document. To contribute towards the process of review, please email the named policy lead.

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1 Introduction

We are passionate about helping pupils to identify and realise their ambitions, aspirations and secure futures that are right for them as individuals. Whether pupils want to be an astronaut, an artist, or just aren't sure what they want to be today, we will support them to understand their skills and talents, their interests and any areas of development. This will help them on their next steps, whether through further or higher education or training, to secure their career of choice and prepare them ready to enter employment. Being realistic, we understand that pupils might change their minds at any point. We are all human: situations and interests can change. We are committed to equipping pupils with the confidence, life and transferable skills to be able to adapt to whatever the future presents, equipping them with a range of options and career pathways.

We embrace our responsibility to ensure all pupils leave school and continue with their education, employment or training. It is our responsibility to ensure that they can enter the next phase of their lives in something which is sustainable and will support them in their careers and future lives.

Our careers and work related learning programmes have always been personalised, and compliant with the DfE guidance, Independent School Standards, and best practice. We have been keen to ensure the pathways available to all pupils, from the earliest age, are broad, relevant, well planned and secure successful long-term outcomes.

2 Pupil Entitlement

2.1 Primary Pupils

Within our primary settings our pupils' journey towards understanding the options and opportunities around their future career begins via:

- Embedding career-related learning in the school's curriculum
- Conducting career-related activities and experiences within both the classroom and wider school environment
- Engaging wider stakeholders, including parents and carers in supporting the pupils in learning about career opportunities and relevant skills

Our primary settings aim to broaden the aspirations of each pupil and present them with a continued range of experiences and opportunities to positively challenge stereotypes and extend their understanding of the careers and futures they could create for themselves.

The focus at this stage is all around continually presenting pupils with career-related learning and experiences that broaden their horizons and raise their level of aspiration and engagement with their future. The aim is to ensure our pupils understand that there are many options open and available to them.

This ongoing careers-related activity and experience acts as a precursor for the careers and employability programmes delivered from Year 7 onwards, alongside the dedicated WG Futures programme.

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2.2 Secondary Pupils

The minimum required expectations are that all pupils in Years 7 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;
- 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;
- understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.
- have access to an impartial independent careers' advisor from the age of 12 upwards (ISS 2(2)e)

2.3

We exceed these expectations by ensuring that the curriculum provides many opportunities to encourage pupils to develop ambition and interest in their futures.

We embrace our duty, and it is our overarching aim to ensure pupils are well equipped to succeed and cope with the ever-changing needs of society and the modern world. With this in mind, the Witherslack Group has developed the provision even further, by developing a programme called WG Futures. This offers a network of employers to facilitate direct engagement across our schools in the provision of employer speakers, workplace visits, career events and roadshows, and work placements. In addition to this, support will be provided through dedicated staff to support pupils stepping into actual employment with the direct provision of a high volume of live job roles.

3 GATSBY BENCHMARKS

We use the Gatsby Benchmarks to ensure best practice. All Witherslack Group schools are committed to meeting the eight Gatsby Benchmarks, which support us to deliver best practice in ensuring readiness for the world of work and securing successful careers and future lives:

- 1) A Stable Careers Programme;
- 2) Learning from Career and Labour Market Information;
- 3) Addressing the Needs of Each Pupil;
- 4) Linking Curriculum Learning To Careers;
- 5) Encounters with Employers and Employees;
- 6) Experiences of The Workplace;
- 7) Encounters with Further and Higher Education;
- 8) Personal Guidance.

Schools will be supported in the attainment of compliance through the guidance of the Group's dedicated Employability Manager, who will provide support to Careers Leads and through the development of a central resource hub for all aspects around the Gatsby Framework.

School leaders will be asked to report directly to their respective School Board meeting on progress of Gatsby compliance, general careers and employability activity, and engagement with the wider initiatives provided by a dedicated careers digital platform and the WG Futures programme in general. This reporting will be structured to align with the respective Gatsby Benchmarks, thus ensuring an ongoing focus on compliance and continued improvement with regard to the delivery of careers and employability programmes. An example of some of the key reporting metrics are detailed below:

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No. of careers guidance sessions delivered (GBM 8,GBM3)
No. of careers appointments attended (GBM8, GBM3)
No. of employer encounter sessions (GBM5, GBM2)
No. of experiences of the workplace (GBM6, GBM2, GBM3)
No. of visits to college (GBM7)
No. of experiences of university (GBM7)
Technical pathway sessions Yr 8/9 (GBM7) (The Baker Clause)
Technical pathway sessions Yr 10/11 (GBM7) (The Baker Clause)
Technical pathway sessions Yr 12/13 (GBM7) (The Baker Clause)
No. of parent's sessions delivered (GBM1, GBM2)
No. of CV's completed (GBM3)
No of Careers In the Curriculum Sessions (GBM4)
No. of school Careers advice support sessions (GBM3)

Additionally, schools will report to School Board meetings on a termly basis on the individualised career aspirations and intended destinations of students from the start of Year 10 onwards, thus allowing prioritised support and personalised pathways to be put in place, supported by the WG Futures programme and personnel.

4 Curriculum Provision

4.1 Careers provision is mapped against the Gatsby Benchmarks and the careers programme is delivered through a combination of methods, with schemes of work and a calendar of events for each Key Stage.

The DfE provide a recommended framework for the curriculum at each stage and each School has an individualised careers programme particular to their School based on this framework. **See Appendix 1**

4.2 To further enhance the level of resource available and the richness of the career and employability offer, an additional third party platform is also available for schools to embed within their curriculum. This provides a breadth of both teaching resources and employer engagement experiences that can be incorporated within careers and employability learning for all year groups. The platform also enables tracking at both school and individual pupil level and schools will be tasked with evidencing engagement and progress via this system, alongside wider reporting.

4.3

All schools will produce and work to a WG Futures delivery plan, that aims to accommodate increasing levels of employer engagement and experience. At the same time, greater priority and resource will be provided, over time, to personalising employability skills and preparation to each young person's individual needs and future employment pathway.

5 Our WG Futures Principles

- 1. The development of our young people's futures is a Group-wide priority driven by all educational teams, careers support staff, and the dedicated Futures personnel.
- 2. We place future employability at the heart of the learning experience, both within and outside the curriculum, and provide our young people with the opportunities and support they need to develop into employable and highly attractive candidates to employers.
- 3. We utilise direct employer insight, experience and expertise as part of the development of employability programmes and practices that will achieve significant and measurable outcomes for every young person.

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- 4. We offer a portfolio of career opportunities and work placements that enables all young people to be encouraged to broaden their interests, knowledge and experiences in whatever field they choose to pursue.
- 5. Young people will be supported to acquire real understanding of what personal attributes they have to offer employers and the skills they possess. They should in turn be able to demonstrate these to employers in a quantifiable way. Through this they will gain confidence, resilience and ambition, which will present them as 'ready to work' to employers.
- 6. We will provide our young people with actual job opportunities and unrivalled levels of ongoing support to ensure that their first steps beyond education are successful ones that lead directly to employment.

6 Statutory requirements and recommended reading

Witherslack Group uses and follows the statutory guidance provided from Gov.uk. References are provided as a link to this guidance in the references section of this policy.

7 REFERENCES

GOV.UK Statutory Guidance: Careers guidance and access for education and training providers Independent School Standards, Part 1, Section 2.(2)(e)
The Independent School Standards, Guidance for independent schools

8 ASSOCIATED FORMS

N/A

9 APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Career Programme Map Appendix 2- Provider Access Policy.

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Appendix 1 – Career Programme Map

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
4	recognising what they want to learn next and when they are successful	finding out about the qualities and skills needed to do a caring job	recognising their achievement when they have learnt something new even if they found it difficult initially	responding to trusted adults who can help them identify their needs	being aware of what charities do and how they can be a charity worker recognising that people seek different rewards when considering paid work that they'd like to do	being able to consider if the information they have found is accurate/reliable
5	being willing to take on challenges that help them to grow	being able to design a scheme for classifying a set of jobs being able to explain what interests them about particular jobs	making a step-by-step plan to enable them to achieve something they would like to be able to do	reflecting on what they achieved and what they would do differently or better next time exploring how people relate to each other in work settings	being aware that imbalances between people's life and work affects their wellbeing recognising what they can do to help keep themselves and others safe at school	being aware of trends that hint at how working life may change for them by the time they embark on their careers exploring the benefits and possible drawbacks of scientific and technological
6	recording and commenting on what they have experienced and achieved relating to people whose identities and backgrounds are different to theirs	exploring the connection between uniforms and status recognising that the subjects and topics that they take further can lead to qualifications and	being aware that having back-up plans can help overcome the disappointment or bring a different reward if their main plan does not work out being able to weigh up the pros and cons of a	being able to take on different work-related roles in group play or teamwork, including as leader when required explaining what they found out from a visitor about setting up their own businesses	being aware that people's work needs change during their lives recognising unfair barriers to opportunity and being willing to challenge them	exploring jobs and ways of working that help to protect the environment exploring what they and others can do to prevent people having to do harmful work

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		making progress in	choice they are		being able to make	
		their careers	thinking of making		decisions about saving,	
					spending and	
					budgeting	
Year	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
7	-To develop study, organisational, research and presentation skillsTo review their strengths, interests, skills, qualities and values and know how to develop themTo set realistic, yet ambitious, targets and goalsTo understand the skills and attributes that employers valueTo know the importance and benefits of being a lifelong learnerTo know the benefits of setting ambitious goals and being open to opportunities in all aspects of lifeTo recognise and challenge stereotypes and family, or cultural expectations, that may limit aspirations.	Communication - Expressive -To be able to ask questions that support the aim of the project and their role within it's successTo use Standard English to clearly and coherently: articulate, argue, justify, reason and evaluate -To actively participate and demonstrate enthusiasm in shared discussion, bot adult-led and independentlyTo be able to have discussions with peers which centre on a theme or problem and which remain focusedTo participate in a discussion, presentation and/ or debate at least once during a project.	Identifies the number to phone in a medical emergency is 999 Explains how to contact the appropriate emergency services. Explains why they require assistance with a medical issue Identifies an ambulance service uniform Role plays a call to emergency services Identifies people I uniform, e.g. police, nurse. Gives examples of people who help them with health concerns. Identifies that teeth should be brushed twice a day. Identifies that they should visit a dentist to have their teeth checked. Identifies that a dentist should be visited if teeth or gums hurt	-To understand what careers areTo know how careers can be developedTo know there are of different kinds of workTo know why people's satisfaction with their working lives can changeTo understand different business organisational structures.	-To know why we have and use moneyTo know the functions of moneyTo know what bartering isTo know what people do with their moneyTo know where people keep their moneyTo know the different ways in which purchases can be paid forTo know the advantages and disadvantages of different payment methodsTo develop study, organisational, research and presentation skillsTo review their strengths, interests, skills, qualities and values and know how to develop themTo know the skills and attributes that employers valueTo know the skills and qualities required to engage in enterprise.	Uses the comparative terms' front and back' correctly when describing clothing. Negotiates a safe passage along a pavement Identifies that they must check the traffic has stopped before crossing Describes the basic safety principles of crossing a road. Choosing Appropriate clothing Chooses suitable clothes for a familiar occasion mostly correctly. Explains why it is unsafe to walk along train and/or tram tracks Recognises some risks when waiting at a bus stop. Identifies how they would respond to potential issues at different points of a familiar journey Identifies one way to prevent a fire hazard

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-To review their strengths, Communication: Receptive Identifies exercise or -To be aware of what -To know why people Cleans areas of the interests, skills, qualities and -To demonstrate that they choices that make keep labour market information sometimes need to borrow bathroom and kitchen using values and how to develop listen to adults and peers at themselves healthy. (LMI) is and how it can be money. the correct equipment them. every stage of the process. Identifies ways they can feel useful. -To know the different ways Identifies which cleaning -To understand the skills and -To demonstrate better mentally -To identify how to stand of borrowing money. equipment is used for each attributes that employers -To know how a credit understanding of what Recognises that it is normal up to stereotyping and area of the bathroom value. engages listeners by and acceptable to feel discrimination, that is cards works. Ensures they put items -To learn how to develop successfully keeping an different emotions damaging to people and -To know what Payday away where others don't Identifies different fall over them routes into work, training and audience's attention. those around them. lenders are. other vocational and -To be able to listen to of emotions using the -To be aware of the laws -To know what 'interest' is. Identifies which type of academic opportunities, and range of people and their appropriate names and bye-laws relating to in relation to borrowing clothing are appropriate for Labels and expresses anger young people's permitted the task and weather progression routes. opinions and successfully: money. understand, or other strong feelings hours and types of -To know what loan sharks Sorts washing by colour maintain attention and employment. mostly correctly appropriately are. discuss and evaluate the Identifies emotions of -To know how to minimise -To know how to keep Select a familiar wash cycle topic. others wen looking at facial health and safety risks to control of our money. by following instructions 8 -To understand how to expressions you and those around you. -To know how to plan a from the staff Identifies who to go to communicate in different budget. Irons small, simple items situations. when feeling sad or angry -To assess and manage risk Identifies safe places to in relation to financial cross on a familiar journey Demonstrates some ways to calm themselves down. decisions that young people Pays their fair/shows their States the medical might make. pass appropriately on public condition they have when -To know about values and transport prompted attitudes relating to Gets on/off bus at correct Identifies allergies or finance, including debt. stop intolerances they have -To manage emotions in Identifies two or more ways when prompted. relation to money. to prevent a fire hazard in -To evaluate social and the home. moral dilemmas about the use of money, including the influence of advertising and peers on financial decisions.

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-To develop study, -To use other key Identifies 111 as a number -To develop study, -To identify if you are a Cleans most surfaces and organisational, research and employability skills to work to contact for an urgent organisational, research saver or a spender. fixtures in the presentation skills. with at least one other healthcare need (less and presentation skills. -To know where and how bathroom/kitchen -To review their strengths, person towards a short urgent than 999) -To review their strengths, money can be saved. appropriately interests, skills, qualities and term goal Suggests some medical interests, skills, qualities -To know how to be a Recognises cleaning and values and know how clever consumer and get products to use for different values and know how to -To use other key concerns that would develop them. employability skills to work require a phone call to 111 to develop them. good value for money. areas of the house -To understand the skills and with at least one other Determines when urgent -To set realistic, yet -To know how to assess and Recognises a trip hazard professional medical help is attributes that employers person towards a long term ambitious, targets and manage risk in relation to Identifies the correct value. needed with some financial decisions that clothing for different goal goals. -To learn how to develop - To be able to identify and prompting. -To know the importance young people might make occasions express other peoples' Suggests two reasons they and benefits of being a -To know about values and Sorts washing by colour routes into work, training and other vocational and talents might visit a doctor, a lifelong learner. attitudes relating to correctly -To identify and express dentist or a pharmacist. -To know about the options finance, including debt. Selects a familiar wash cycle academic opportunities, and progression routes. when to use their own or List injuries or illnesses that available to them at the -To manage emotions in independently someone else's skills for a they define as emergency end of key stage 3, sources relation to money. Ensure items are put away particular task to get to see a GP that day, of information, advice and -To evaluate social and safely - To participate in decisions with prompts. support, and the skills to moral dilemmas about the Iron 2 larger items use of money, including the and offer suggestions during Explains how to make an manage this decisionsupervised Yr 9 at least one stage of each appointment with a health making process. influence of advertising and Walks a familiar journey Understands and follow foot part of the process professional. -To know about the peers on financial decisions. Identifies that if a body is -To recognise financial - To use other key benefits of setting paths appropriately employability skills to not taken care of it can ambitious goals and being exploitation in different Identifies three or more express and/ or explain affect self-esteem open to opportunities in all contexts e.g. drug and ways to prevent a fire their own opinion or Identifies that lifestyle aspects of life. money mules, online hazard in the home. original idea. -To recognise and challenge choices impact on the scams. - To use other key health of the body stereotypes and family or employability skills to listen Identifies the effects that cultural expectations that to others' views and ideas the sun may have on the may limit aspirations. and either develop them or body, e.g. sunburn, offer alternatives. dehydration - To use problem-solving Identifies the importance of skills effectively in order to bedtime routine and good analyse a problem with at nights sleep. least one other person. Identifies some ways to - To use their own and cope with negative others' thoughts to draw emotions, explaining how productive conclusions. they can overcome them.

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ACCREDITATION

By the End of Year 9 Level Pupils will have had a 1:1 external and impartial career advice session and have had employment and work place encounters and experiences. By the end of Year 9 students will have had an opportunity to be awarded a minimum of 3 AQA unit awards over a variety of subjects.

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1.1 State what is meant by customer experience 1.2 Give examples of the benefits of delivering consistently high-quality customer experience 1.3 Give examples of barriers to providing effective customer experience 2.1 Compare the services/ products offered by at least two different organisations 2.2 Describe how at least two organisations deliver a good customer experience 2.3 Explain how an individual member of staff can deliver a good customer experience 2.4 Describe how organisations can gather customer feedback 3.1 Give examples of when you have received good customer service 3.2 Give examples of common customer complaints 3.3 Explain how you could respond to two different types of customer complaint

Yr 10

1.1 Describe your personal strengths 1.2 Describe areas for own personal development 2.1 Set targets for personal development 2.2 Explain your choice of targets 2.3 Produce a personal development plan with actions and dates for reviewing targets 3.1 Outline what you have achieved whilst working on your personal development plan 3.2 Obtain feedback from at least one other person on your progress 4.1 Give examples of future targets for personal development 4.2 Explain how personal development can build resilience

1.1 Give examples of sources of information about career options 1.2 Give examples of career options relevant to own skills and interests 1.3 Describe advantages and disadvantages of the identified career options 1.4 Describe the skills and qualities required for the identified career options 1.5 Outline the possible steps needed to reach one of your career options 1.6 Identify job vacancies or training opportunities relevant to chosen career option 2.1 State different methods of applying for jobs 2.2 Produce a CV which highlights own skills, experience and achievements 2.3 Produce a covering letter for a specific job role 2.4 Complete an application to an appropriate standard for submission 3.1 Describe what to consider when preparing for an interview 3.2 Explain how to create a good impression at an

interview

1.1 To know how to effectively budget, including the benefits of saving.
1.2 To know how to make financial decisions, including recognising the opportunities and challenges involved in taking financial risks.
1.3 To recognise and manage the range of influences on their financial decisions.

2.1 To access appropriate support for financial decision-making and for concerns relating to money, gambling, and consumer rights.

2.2 The skills to challenge

2.2 The skills to challenge or seek support for financial exploitation in different contexts including online.

3.1 To evaluate the financial advantages, disadvantages and risks of different models of contractual terms, including self-employment full-time, part-time and zero-hours contracts.

1.1 Know how to plan a given journey on public transport.

1.2 Be able to travel a route safely and independently.1.3 Know own strengths and weaknesses.

1.4 Know own skills and investigate ways of self-improvement

2.1 Be able to set personal objectives and make action plans for self-improvement.
2.2 Be able to use a budget.
2.3 Know the skills needed

for successful independent living.

3.1 Know about skills for

coping in difficult situations.

3.2 Identifies four or more ways to prevent a fire hazard in the home.

1.1 Explain why presentations are used 1.2 Give examples of different situations when presentations may be used 2.1 Describe the features of an effective presentation you have reviewed/watched 2.2 Give examples of things to avoid when creating presentations 2.3 Give examples of the benefits of practising before delivering a presentation 3.1 Explain the materials used to support your presentation 3.2 Give a presentation using at least one presentation aid 4.1 Obtain feedback on your presentation 4.2 Describe what aspects of your presentation went well

4.3 Describe what aspects

of your presentation could

4.4 Give examples of skills

that you have developed

have been improved

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	3.3 Prepare responses to potential interview questions 3.4 Give examples of questions you might pose at interview 3.5 Obtain feedback on own performance in a real or simulated interview 3.6 Review own performance at interview to identify personal strengths and areas for improvement		
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State what is Describe the 1.1 State how State Give examples During this time 1.1 1.1 1.1 advantages of working of successful meant by emotional benefits of eating a physical activity can students will be wellbeing balanced diet contribute to a healthy as a team enterprises supported with study 1.2 Give examples 1.2 Outline the lifestyle 1.2 State 1.2 **Explain** why skills classes to support the enterprises are Explain how of factors that can affect main components of 1.2 problems of working them with revision for mental health a balanced diet lack of physical activity successful their examinations as a team 1.3 Explain what is can affect the human 1.3 2.1 Outline the 1.3 Give examples Explain why strengths and 1.1 Adopt a growth of what should be body meant by resilience appropriate 1.4 Give examples avoided in a 1.3 Outline communication is weaknesses of mindset to build recommended levels important for team confidence and of ways to develop balanced diet potential enterprise resilience 2.1 Outline what is working project ideas persistence of physical activity meant by "body 2.1 State what is 2.1 Identify 1.4 Describe 2.2 Create a 1.2 Appreciate how meant by physical image" resources and facilities individual behaviours timeline for the memory works and wellbeing 2.2 Give examples which can support that are important chosen enterprise what it takes to Describe how project including tasks 2.2 of factors that may when working in a understand and physical activity Yr 11 your physical wellbeing impact on dietary 2.2 Describe risks and resources remember well team can be impacted by your 1.5 choices that may occur when Explain the required 2.1 Set learning goals lifestyle 2.3 Explain how taking part in physical role of a team leader 2.3 Contribute to and identifying undertaking some 2.3 Identify social media may activities 2.1 actionable steps to Give examples characteristics of 2.3 of activities you have market research for impact on dietary Explain how achieve those goals healthy relationships choices vou could reduce the participated in as a the chosen enterprise 2.2 Use strategies to Give examples risks identified 2.4 3.1 Select a team member project increase reading of elements of personal nutritious meal to 3.1 Provide 3.1 Describe the 2.4 Explain how comprehension and hygiene that are cook evidence of own contributions you much you will charge improve analytical important for physical Outline how participation in skills 3.2 made during for the products or wellbeing the chosen meal physical activities teamwork activities services 2.3 Manage their time Describe how 3.2 3.1 3.2 Obtain Contribute to and overcome meets the you ensured you feedback on your own components of a the creation of a procrastination balanced diet reduced risks when teamwork skills marketing resource for 3.1 Prepare for 3.3 Plan how to the enterprise project participating in assessments make the meal physical activities

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including ingradiants	4.1 Describe what	2.2 Cive evamples	2.2 Take part in
including ingredients,		3.3 Give examples	3.2 Take part in
timings and	you enjoyed about	of how the team	the enterprise project
equipment required	taking part in physical	worked well together	4.1 Give examples
3.4 Calculate the	activities	3.4 Explain how	of what went well with
cost of the	4.2 Describe how	being part of a team	the enterprise project
ingredients	you could make own	provides opportunities	4.2 Give examples
3.5 Give examples	life more physically	for personal	of how the enterprise
of how to minimise	active	development	project could have
hygiene risks when		3.5 Give examples	been improved
preparing food		of teamwork skills you	4.3 Calculate how
3.6 Prepare the		want to develop	much profit or loss the
chosen meal		3.6 Explain what	enterprise project
3.7 Give examples		skills you could bring	made
of skills used in		to the role of a team	4.4 Review your
preparing the meal		leader	own participation in
4.1 Describe ways			the enterprise project
you could make your			
own diet healthier			

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Hilden Park School: Provider Access Policy

Introduction

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

For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 to 9) and two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 to 11).

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers
- explain what career routes those options could lead to
- provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider)
- answer questions from pupils.

Meaningful provider encounters

One encounter is defined as one meeting/session between pupils and one provider. We are committed to providing meaningful encounters to all pupils using the Making It Meaningful checklist.

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Meaningful online engagement is also an option, and we are open to providers that can provide live online engagement with our pupils.

Previous providers

As we are a new school, we are in the process of building employer partnerships, however the Witherslack Group partner with many nationally recognisable companies, such as:

- Microsoft
- British Airways
- Wagamamas
- John Lewis
- Roadchef

Destinations of our pupils

As we are a new school, we have not had any leavers' destination data yet.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Katharine Brock, Careers Leader, katharine.brock@witherslackgroup.co.uk

Opportunities for access

The school offers the provider encounters required by law (marked in bold text) and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme. We will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils or their parents or carers.

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

Year group	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Event for University	Employer event for	Technical/vocation
	Technical College	pupils, parents –	al tasters at local
		market stall event	college/s, training
		giving overview of	providers
		local, regional and	
		national	
		opportunities and	
		skills requirement	
Year 9	Meeting with	KS4 options event –	No encounters –
	careers adviser	college and	legislation requires
		apprenticeship	encounters to take
		providers attending	place by 28
		to give	February if in year 9
		presentations to	
		pupils	

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Year 10	Post 16 technical education options assembly with local Colleges	Technical/vocation al tasters at local college/s, training providers	Technical/vocation al tasters at local college/s, training providers
	Life Skills – work experience preparation sessions		
Year 11	Post 16 provider open evenings. Post 16 apprenticeships assembly	Post-16 interviews	No encounters – legislation requires encounters to take place by 28 February if in year 11
	Meetings with careers adviser Post 16 applications		Confirmation of post-16 education and training destinations for all pupils

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and pupils, 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 the Careers Leader, Senior Leadership Team member ,or a member of Futures team.

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Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the school reception desk, and this will be given to the Careers Leader.

Complaints

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure or directly with The Careers & Enterprise Company via provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk

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