

## Careers Programme: Website statement

Hazelwood School prides itself on its forward-thinking approach to education. As encapsulated in our School Promise, we seek to inspire and support our pupils in all aspects of their learning, including careful preparation for their future in the world of work. A comprehensive, varied and balanced approach to our Careers Programme ensures that all our pupils understand a range of academic and technical career paths available to them when considering careers options.

Pupils in our younger year groups explore the world of work through the various careers encountered in their Topic work. The range of Topics covered throughout the Lower School allows for understanding a range of jobs in fields such as public services, horticulture, religious leaders, explorers, medical professionals, animal care and engineering, to name but a few. Children in Year 1-5 also study Living in the Wider World in PSHE lessons, where they identify their own strengths and passions, discover the varied jobs that await them, and discuss the role of money and the definition of success and happiness.

From Year 6, pupils enjoy a more structured approach to careers provision. Year 6 pupils complete a unit of work devoted to careers through their Study Skills lessons, and in PSHE lessons, pupils in Year 7 and 8 listen to interviews or workshops with parents which cover a wide range of career paths, both academic and technical. They also undertake research-based tasks, giving them opportunities to explore areas of interest for potential future careers, which, as far as possible, can also be explored through our Electives Programme, as well as identifying their own skills and aspirations throughout the year. Throughout their Upper School years, pupils also have the opportunity to develop practical skills around interview technique and, as part of the Year 8 Leavers' programme, a workshop on writing their own CV. These more structured elements of our Careers Programme are supported through a well-stocked careers section of the school library and access to careers podcasts on our Teen Tips Wellbeing Hub.

Our Careers Programme is supported by our Careers Policy, which is reviewed annually.