

Careers Curriculum Plan for 2025-2026

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The Careers programme is to give the students at Dorchester Learning Centre the best opportunities and chance to succeed after they leave school. We aim to provide our students with the necessary skills in which to make informed decisions on their career paths and show them what is available. We aim to offer high quality career mapping by providing opportunities to access and study to achieve their targets/goals. Dorchester Learning centre want to inform our students of all the career opportunities/pathways they can follow to inspire them to achieve the best version of themselves. Our goals are to provide them with the skills and confidence to reach aspirations. This is a working document and is updated as and when new opportunities arise.

Year 7 and Year 8

	Content/Knowledge	Assessment
Autumn 1	The future and me The world of jobs/careers Xello Launch Careers Terminology	Worksheets/Research Research/Brainstorm and make posters Xello treasure hunt Booklet
Autumn 2	What are the employability skills Explore employability skills Careers Fair	Skillsbuilder Skillsbuilder/Icebreaker games Will open to other schools as well
Spring 1	LMI Meet an employer Careers in the curriculum	Research/Careersometer TBC – Face to Face and virtual MyPath why bother/info in subject folder
Spring 2	Exploring the world of work	Panjango

	£10 Challenge?	TBC – Face to Face and virtual
Summer 1	Careers questionnaires Green careers Gender Stereotypes	Compass plus Powerpoint and discussions Looking at the workplace stereotyping
Summer 2	Apprenticeships Further education Higher education	Looking at different apprenticeships (research) Looking at different colleges and the courses Looking at different universities and courses

Year 7,8 and 9 mixed 12-week placement

	Content/Knowledge	Assessment
12-week placements	Various	Xello programme

Year 9

	Content/Knowledge	Assessment
Autumn 1	Xello Launch Career terminology College visit	Xello Booklet Face to Face and virtual

Autumn 2	What are employability skills Explore employability skills Careers Fair	Skillsbuilder Skillsbuilder/Icebreaker games/powerpoint Will open to other schools as well
Spring 1	Meet an Employer World of work Understanding the workplace	TBC Panjango/research/worksheets/virtual work experience Look at the different types of employment, hierarchy and structures
Spring 2	Careers in the curriculum Choosing a career	MyPath why bother/info in subject folder Poster/research a job and include the LMI
Summer 1	Careers Questionnaires Green careers Mock interviews	Compass plus Powerpoint/discussions Looking at the preparation
Summer 2	Qualifications/pathways Set goals for the future	Powerpoint/discussions/research Your choice powerpoint/research

Year 10

	Content/Knowledge	Assessment
Autumn 1	Xello Launch Work Experience University visit	Xello Face to face and virtual (weekly through the year) Bournemouth Arts unitiversity and a virtual tour of their choice
Autumn 2	What are employability skills Explore employability skills Careers Fair	Skillsbuilder Skillsbuilder/Icebreaker games/powerpoint Will open to other schools as well
Spring 1	Meet an Employer World of work Green careers	TBC Panjango/research/worksheets Powerpoint/discussions
Spring 2		
Summer 1	Work life balance Careers in the curriculum CV writing Mock interviews	disccusions MyPath why bother/info in subject folder Unifrog Staff/employers
Summer 2	Careers questionnaires College taster days	Compass plus Weymouth college careers day

	Start identifying POST16 and how to apply for the pathway and grades needed	Research
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Year 11

	Content/Knowledge	Assessment
Autumn 1	Xello Launch Work Experience University visit College visit	Xello Face to face and virtual (weekly through the year) Bournemouth Arts university and a virtual tour of their choice TBC
Autumn 2		
Spring 1	Green careers 1-1 Guidance Writing personal statement	Discussions/powerpoint External stakeholder Xello
Spring 2	1-1 Guidance CV update	External stakeholder Xello
Summer 1	1-1 Guidance	External stakeholder
Summer 2	Careers questionnaires College taster days	Compass plus Weymouth college careers day

