

What to do... Careers education, information, advice and guidance

Learning opportunities available for students

At Dixons Cottingley Academy, our mission is to provide an exceptional education for all of our students so that they leave the academy with excellent results and all the tools needed to live happy, successful and purposeful lives. Our values of determination, integrity and trust support this mission and our language, routines and structures constantly reinforce the high expectations we ask from all of our students. We firmly believe we should strive to ensure all students are intrinsically motivated to achieve their full potential and to see the doors education can open. All of our artefacts in school support this mission. In addition, our comprehensive careers plan below makes opportunities explicit.

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	Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3
Y7	Induction – climbing the mountain Write and record sentences Parents Evening (26/09/19) Black Hills Expedition (28/11/19 and 05/12/19)	York university visit (14/01/20) PDS - Skill set and career preparation	Parents Evening (03/04/20)
Y8	Revise sentences	PDS - Skill set and career preparation Options Evening (12/03/20) Malham Expedition (03/04/20)	
Y9	Duke of Edinburgh launch Start profile – Shine careers Young Enterprise launch Mosaic – Prince’s Trust launch STEM engineering day (12/11/19)	Parents Evening (16/01/20)	Duke of Edinburgh Award Expedition
Y10	Careers Event/ marketplace at DCO Parents Evening (21/11/19)	Raising aspirations assembly delivered by Ahead Partnership (26/02/20) Business in the community Expedition (w/c 23/03/20)	
Y11	Skills Yorkshire Careers Event – Leeds (03/10/19) Geography Expedition (08/11/19) Burberry Mills Expedition (15/11/19) Careers Event/ marketplace at DCO (21/11/19) Mock interviews with external providers (03/12/19) Careers Advisor interviews	Careers Advisor interviews Mock Examinations (w/c 16/12/19 and 06/01/20) Mock Interview Day (w/c 20/01/20) Parents Evening (30/01/20)	External examinations (w/c 04/05/20 - 08/06/20)

The careers provision of Dixons Cottingley has been closely mapped to the eight Gatsby Benchmarks in order to ensure all students, on leaving education, can meet the demands of the fast-changing world of work.

