Careers Programme 2019/20

Mary Webb School has developed a varied and engaging Careers Programme.

By the end of each academic year, pupils can expect to benefit from the following careers entitlements:

Year 7 Careers Entitlement

- Students are encouraged to identify personal traits, strengths and skills and develop confidence and have high expectations of themselves.
- Students are introduced to careers resources through general library sessions
- Students are able to use the lunchtime drop-in careers support

Year 8 Careers Entitlement

- Students build on personal strengths and begin to link skills to specific careers.
- Students are encouraged to think about life after Mary Webb school and will all take part in groupwork during PSHE with the school Careers Adviser.
- Students are able to use the lunchtime drop-in careers support.
- Students are encouraged to use the range of careers resources available in the school library.

Year 9 Careers Entitlement

- Students are encouraged to reassess personal strengths with a focus on transferable skills. What is important in a career?
- Students are encouraged to investigate different jobs and careers and what this means in terms of the labour market, work patterns, working conditions and financial reward.
- Students are encouraged to use the full range of careers resources available to them including both web-based and physical resources. Students are introduced to the CASCAID software
- Students and their parents are encouraged to attend the school Careers Fair to talk to a range of employers, and Further Education/Higher Education providers.
- Students are encouraged to challenge stereotypes within the world of work and traditional job roles.
- Students have at least one face-to-face meeting with an independent and impartial Careers Adviser either in a small group, or individually according to need.
- Students will have the knowledge and understanding to choose GCSEs which fit with their aspirations and keep options open for future career interests

Year 10 Careers Entitlement

- Students begin to explore the full range of post-16 options. Economic awareness is developed, with the use of Labour market information as students are encouraged to think about employability, to identify and set themselves realistic future goals.
- Students meet with an independent and impartial Careers Adviser and agree a personal action plan.
- Students begin CV and cover letter writing.
- Students have optional access to additional independent and impartial advice via weekly drop in sessions.
- Students are increasingly signposted to career-specific websites which fit with their developing ideas, as well as the wide range of general resources available in school.
- Students and parents/carers are encouraged to attend the school Careers Fair
- Students complete work experience and record the learning from this using a work experience diary.

Year 11 Careers Entitlement

- Students are supported with their post 16 choices and encouraged to consider all available options including local colleges, apprenticeships and study programmes. Interview techniques further developed.
- Students continue to be signposted to career-specific websites which fit with their developing ideas, as well as the wide range of general resources available in school.
- Students have further careers interviews, which may be offered in small groups or as individual meetings according to need identified in year 10, and personal preferences. Personal guidance will support students to identify a first choice and back-up plan. Personal action plans will be updated.
- Students and parents/carers are encouraged to attend the school Careers Fair
- Students attend careers talks, fairs, college open days and taster days with employers held locally.
- Students are assisted further with CV writing and encouraged to have a completed a CV and cover letter
- Students have the option to attend specific apprenticeship sessions which cover applications and finding employers.
- Students are kept up to date with post 16 deadlines.
- Students have additional optional access to the school Careers Adviser via drop in sessions.

As we move through the school year, pupils in all year groups can expect to get involved in a range of activities:

	Autumn 1st half term	Autumn 2 nd half term	Spring 1st half term	Spring 2 nd half	Summer 1 st half term	Summer 2 nd half term
				term		
Year 7				STEM WEEK –	Exam preparation/	
(GB 3)				details attached	Revision strategies	
				(GB 2, 4,5,7)		
Year 8		Maths in work. Local		STEM WEEK –	Exam preparation/	Introductory group
(GB 3)		business come into		details attached	Revision strategies	work sessions by
		school and link the		(GB 2, 4,5,7)		Careers Adviser:
		work they do to			PSHCE (Sharon Ruff	"My Brilliant Future" –
		Maths. Students			and tutor). Mood	looking at aspirations
		made aware of job			boards – students to	and increasing
		requirements and			consider where they	knowledge of options.
		expectations in terms			see themselves in ten	(GB 2).
		of qualifications and			years' time. This will	, ,
		wages.			start a dialogue about	
					how students can	
					make their dreams a	
					reality.	
Year 9	Introductory Year Group	Skills Festival (NEC)	Year 9 Options	Parents evening	Exam preparation/	
(GB 3)	talk by Careers Adviser:		process begins,	(Colleges invited)	Revision strategies,	Shrewsbury Sixth Form
	Options Yr9	Cascaid Group work	Options Evening for —			Summer Schools
	Work Experience	sessions– Kudos. Likes	Parents/Students	Maths at work	Options announced	
	•Post 16 and post 18	and dislikes, labour		day: Local		
	Options including College,	market Information,	Chester University	businesses in		
	Apprenticeships & Higher	skills inventory, post	visit – dispelling	school providing		
	Education (GB 2, 7).	16 options delivered	myths/raising	labour market		
		by Careers Adviser	aspirations (GB 3, 7)	information -		
	Screening tool undertaken	(GB 2)		PART OF STEM		
	in form groups to identify		1 to 1 and group	WEEK – details		
	guidance needs and stage of	NEW: Careers Fair and	meetings with Sharon	attached (GB 2,		
	thinking.	Post 16/Further	Ruff ahead of Options	4,5,7)		
		Education Event –	Process	,		

		Employers from all sectors plus local post 16 and further education providers from 2pm until 7pm (GB 5 and 7)				
Year 10 (GB 3)	Introduction to work experience (GB 6), Introductory Year Group talk by Careers Adviser • Work Experience • Post 16 and post 18 options including College, Apprenticeships & Higher Education (2, 7). Work experience talk delivered by EBL (GB 6) National Citizenship service assembly/introduction Business Enterprise Day (Technology department)	Shrewsbury Colleges Group visit (GB 7) Parents Evening (Colleges invited) NEW: Careers Fair and Post 16/Further Education Event – Employers from all sectors plus local post 16 and further education providers from 2pm until 7pm (GB 5 and 7)	University Centre Shrewsbury visit – dispelling myths/raising aspirations (GB 3, 7)	Exam preparation/ Revision strategies Apprenticeship, Employment and Skills Show (Telford) STEM WEEK – details attached (GB 2, 4,5,7)	Cambridge University visit for targeted students (GB 3, 7) 1 to 1 meetings with Sharon Ruff based on needs	Work Experience – health and safety talk delivered by EBL Work Experience week plus follow-up in school (GB 6)
Year 11 (GB 3)	Individual careers guidance a					
	Follow-up 1 to 1 and group meetings with Sharon Ruff	Parents Evening (Colleges invited)	College Applications (GB 3)	Apprenticeship Group work – • Understanding	CV and Covering Letter Writing workshops – Careers	
	Post 16 Options talk to Year Group- (KS4 Leader and Careers Adviser)	National Citizenship Service follow-up group sessions and sign-up	Exam preparation/ Revision strategies	Apprenticeships. • Searching for vacancies.	Adviser	

Post 16 Options including		• Re	egistration and	
College &	NEW: Careers Fair and	ар	plying for	
Apprenticeships.	Post 16/Further	va	icancies.	
 Application process 	Education Event –	Care	eers Adviser	
Open Events & Taster	Employers from all	(GB	37)	
Sessions information.	sectors plus local post			
• Careers research	16 and further	STE	M WEEK –	
information.	education providers	deta	ails attached	
• HE Information (GB 2, 7).	from 2pm until 7pm	(GB	3 2, 4,5,7)	
, , ,	(GB 5 and 7)			
Parent/Student Shropshire		WH	IERE NEXT	
Apprenticeships Event at		FOR	RMS –	
Shrewsbury Town FC (GB 7).		colle	ection of	
, , , ,		inte	ended	
Mock applications and		des	tination data	
Personal statements		(GB	3, 7)	
(Post 16).				
		Trai	nsition	
Cascaid Group Work		sup	port for SEND	
sessions – Kudos supporting		pup	oils and those	
ongoing research and		at ri	isk of NEET	
finding out labour market				
information – Careers				
Adviser (GB 2, 7).				
Introduction to				
Apprenticeships talk –				
Careers Adviser (GB 7)				
National Citizenship service				
assembly/introduction				

STEAM Curriculum Day

Years 7 to 10 will take part in the annual STEAM day. The content is developed each year. Here is a summary of the most recent event.

Year 7

- Manchester University (Engineering Dept) (nominated students)
- **Bloodhound** the remainder of the year group are involved in the Bloodhound project (http://www.bloodhoundssc.com/education) where essentially students get to design, build and test a supersonic car.

Year 8

- **EnergyQuest ByDesign –** an external supplier (http://www.tomorrowsengineers.org.uk/energy-quest/) will run a two hour session in the main hall involving electric cars.
- Outdoors SWT Shropshire Wildlife (https://www.shropshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/) will run a two hour session on the Hill taking inspiration from natural STEM.

Year 9

- **First Edition** external suppliers (http://www.etrust.org.uk/first-edition) will include two STEM themes in their two hour session, one on structures and the other on coding.
- Maths@Work hosted by the Maths dept who introduce a number of STEM ambassadors to the students who showcase how maths is relevant to their work.
- Charles Denscombe There is an opportunity for 10 students to work collating the news of the day to include livestreaming.

<u>Year 10</u>

- **Jaguar Landrover** part of the DT GCSE course, students will visit the plant in Wolverhampton for the day (https://www.allaboutstem.co.uk/resources/jaguar-land-rover-education-centre/).
- Big Bang last year's regional winners in the CREST Awards go on to complete in the National Finals (https://www.thebigbangfair.co.uk/).
- Graffiti Nick Halahan will be working with 10 students "repainting" some more lockers in school.
- Genetics Group A and B students will do two activities, 1) produce a necklace that contains their own DNA and 2) a blood activity
- Ice Bridge Group A and B student get to assemble an ice-bridge in the Sports Hall (https://www.ice.org.uk/ICEDevelopmentWebPortal/media/Documents/Regions/UK%20Regions/bridges-to-schools-briefing-sheet-wales.pdf).