



Esher Church of England High School Careers Statement

Careers has an important contribution to make to the education of all children in order to make an effective transition from school to college and to adulthood and employment. Esher High School will provide a range of opportunities for children to learn about work, the world of work, the skills required for work and the pathways available to them. Effective careers guidance can increase participation in learning and, in turn, raise attainment and support further progression.

Purpose and Aims:

Esher High School is committed to providing careers education and to fulfil its statutory obligations. The main purpose is to provide all children with a programme of careers education activities including opportunities at key transition points to access impartial information and expert advice and guidance through:

- Helping children choose courses that are appropriate to their needs
- Improving their understanding of the world of work
- Ensuring appropriate provision and guidance
- Empowering children to plan and manage their own futures
- Providing comprehensive and unbiased advice and guidance

Methods:

Esher High School will accomplish these goals by:

- Providing a range of opportunities that enhance the curriculum (visits to colleges/taster days)
- Promoting awareness of the world of work (lunchtime careers talks, careers day etc.)
- Promoting a range of opportunities and provisions which assist in raising aspirations and achievement (visits from and to colleges and universities, skills shows etc.)
- Providing informed and impartial guidance (options evenings, assemblies by a range of colleges and apprenticeship providers)
- Enabling children to make considered decisions in regard to future choices
- Maintaining and developing effective links with local colleges and sixth forms and local industry and business leaders
- PSHCE lessons
- Impartial and independent careers is provided to students through:
 - Industry specific talks and presentations
 - Display boards
 - Careers section on the school website (includes links to useful websites, colleges and apprenticeship vacancies)

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