

Provider Access Policy 2025-26

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the school for the purposes of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer.

Student entitlement

Students in years 8-11 are entitled:

- To find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships opportunities, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point.
- To hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships through a variety of methods including careers events, trips, open evenings and assemblies.
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure: A provider wishing to request access should contact;

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Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents:

- Assemblies across KS4 from independent training providers and local providers of technical qualifications
- Fit for Life lessons and careers workshops
- Careers events including mock job interviews and careers speed dating
- Curriculum talks within subject areas
- Year 10 Work experience in May
- Whole year group workshops and events such as the STEM roadshow and NHS visit
- For details of the events with hit the PAL, and an overview of the annual programme, please visit our website;

<https://www.johnspence.org.uk/about-us/opportunities/careers/>

Please speak to our Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and facilities

- The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or a member of their team.
- Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Resource Centre, which is managed by the school librarian. The Resource Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times.

Approval and review

- Approved *October 2025* by Governors
- Next review: *September 2026*
- Signed:

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