

Menu of Career Activities

Thanks to our supporters here at Childwall we are running a variety of Careers Events across the academic year. Nothing on the menu below could be delivered without the support of our local business and professional community. To quote ASDA: Every little helps! Your support will have a profound impact on the lives of our local young people and support our community in working towards the UN Sustainability Goals 2030 to create a better and more sustainable future for all.



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Here at Childwall we have a variety of activities you could get involved in. Below are some of the activities which we run regularly:

Careers Insight Breakfasts: All year around. Companies, Professionals or Industry representatives allow interested pupils from across all year groups insight into their company, their industry or share their career story. Pupils volunteer to attend and this creates a very relaxed atmosphere. Pupils volunteer for a variety of reasons and these sessions are especially popular with our pupils in Year 7-9. We can also hold these specifically targeting 6th form students. Sessions times and dates can be negotiated to suit your business. This is a great opportunity if you enjoy influencing and sharing your own story with pupils. It is almost like being able to talk to your 15-year-old self.

Assembly talks: Formal 10-minute presentation on industry, business or profession. Great way to engage a full year group and open their eyes to possibilities and opportunities they had not considered before. Dates can be negotiated throughout the year.

Mock Interviews: Year 13s and Year 10s. No experience of interviewing is necessary. We provide all questions and feedback sheets. This is a fantastic opportunity for anyone who wants to make a real impact on individual pupils. You are based with a variety of other professionals and have the opportunity to network yourself.

Careers Convention: Every year held on last Friday of September. Traditional Careers Fair which is attended by around 30 businesses, all local universities and many colleges. Compulsory to all Year 11s and open to Year 9 and 6th form students. The fair gives you opportunity to engage with over 300 pupils in a short amount of time promoting your business, marketing your products and inspiring our students to explore careers in a safe and supportive environment.

Input during Collapsed timetable days: Companies volunteer a number of their employees to deliver employability or enterprise activities for our pupils. A real chance for your staff to development their skills set, whilst being supported by experienced teachers. Professional volunteers usually really enjoy the experience sharing their knowledge and skills with the next generation.

Company visits: Small groups of pupils visiting business premises to get a feel for a business or industry. These are either selected pupils connecting their subject to the world of work or open visits for which interested students are invited regardless of subjects studies. Taking students away from their usual day to day school routine can have a profound impact on their opportunity awareness. Visits are extremely successful to challenge stereotypical thinking of our students.

Work experience: We are also always desperate for work experience placements for our Year 12 pupils, especially for our cohort of young people without connections into their chosen industries. Work experience is extremely powerful to support our students to achieve their potential as it allows them to demonstrate their skills sets in a professional environment. Our students are resourceful and

creative and many businesses have relished in the chance of a fresh pair of eye looking at their processes. Some also know a variety of ICT shortcuts which have actually have helped businesses to improve their processes.

Support of subject delivery: Our subjects are always keen to work with people who can link academic content to the world of work. If you want to work directly with a subject, please let me know and we will facilitate a link between you and our Careers Champion within the department(s).

Advertising vacancies: We gladly advertise your vacancies to our students. Please just email careers@childwallssa.org with your ad.

I hope this gives you a good idea on our Careers offer here at Childwall and I hope we can work together in the future. If you have any other ideas, please get in touch and we can discuss how to implement them.

Please contact Anja Koermer, Careers Manager at careers@childwallssa.org or call 07384 834 542 to discuss how you can get involved.