Wellington School – Careers Programme Overview

| Year | Autumn Term | Spring Term | Summer Term |
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| 7 | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Project Day – Adshead Hall (Employer encounters) | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week All students open Unifrog account | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Employer presentation (Employer encounter) Project-In-A-Day (Employer encounters) Careers PSHE Curriculum: Study, organisational, research & presentation skills Strengths, interests, skills, qualities & values Ambitious targets & goals What do employers value? Engaging in Enterprise Lifelong learning |
| 8 | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Leadership Programme Day (Employer encounter) | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) National Apprenticeship Week Apprenticeship Assembly (Provider Access) Leadership Programme Day (Employer encounter) National Careers Week Be Inspired Event: Guess the Job & Employer Speed | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Leadership Programme including graduation Careers PSHE Curriculum: Patterns of work Career pathways Identifying early aspirations Financial decision-making Recognising financial exploitation |

| 9 | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews (on request) Pathways assembly including apprenticeships talk (ASK employer encounter) | Networking Sessions (Employer encounters) Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews (on request) Into KS4 & Careers Talk Careers and Options Carousel KS4 Options Evening for parents Year 9 Options Subject Taster Day | Attitudes to debt Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers PSHE Curriculum: Engaging in enterprise Routes into work and training Setting ambitious goals Challenging stereotypes which may limit aspirations Employment rights and |
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| | | GCSE subject presentations and sessions College T Level & Apprenticeships presentation (Provider Access Legislation) Careers Research Unifrog Session (Exploring KS4 Options & Unifrog) National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week Y9 Skills Challenge Event, Adshead Hall (Employer encounters) | responsibilities - Future employment and emotions • Bronze Duke of Edinburgh (including 3 months volunteering) |
| 10 | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Employer Careers Talks during lunch times | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews begin | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser & Local Colleges) Careers Guidance Interviews |

| | Apprenticeship Workshop/Talk | Employer presentation (Employer encounter) College T Level & Apprenticeships presentation (Provider Access Legislation) National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week Practice CV & Application Form – for an employer audience Interview technique workshop Practice Interviews with visiting employers (encounters) Skills North West Visit (employer encounters) | Exploring Post-16 Options group work session Employer Careers Talks during lunch times Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award (including volunteering) Enterprise Challenge event, Adshead Hall (employer encounters) |
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| 11 | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser & Local Colleges) Careers Guidance Interviews (whole cohort) Careers & Post-16 Options Talk (& 6th Forms/Colleges open day information provided) Careers Fair & Exhibition: 6 workshops from visiting colleges and employers (Provider Access) and an exhibition of 35+ colleges, universities and employers offering apprenticeships | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser & Local Colleges) Careers Guidance Interviews Employer Careers Talks during lunch times Apprenticeship Application Session National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews GCSE Results Day (attended by Careers Adviser) |

| | External School 6th Form, College & Apprenticeship presentations and lunch-time drop-in sessions 6th Form Open Evening & A Level Subject Talks University Student Life presentation Apprenticeship Application Guidance Session | | |
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| 12 | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews Careers Fair for students & parents every 3 years (December 2025) University Visit Day (whole cohort) Careers Exhibition, Adshead Hall (35+ exhibitors) Careers Enrichment assemblies: Target Setting & Introduction to Mentoring University presentations (including Choosing a University & Degree & Making the Most of Year 12) Access Programme presentations | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews (whole cohort) Careers Talk & Software Demo (Unifrog & Careers Websites) UCAS Convention Visit (Provider Access Legislation) National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week Careers Enrichment assemblies University presentations (including Study Abroad, Oxbridge & MDV) Degree Apprenticeships presentation (Provider Access Legislation) Gap Year presentation | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews (whole cohort) Alternative Options to University Talk UCAS Day. Sessions including Unifrog, CVs, UCAS Personal Statements, Registering on UCAS, University presentations Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award (including volunteering) Professional Work Placements - Full Week UCAS Discovery Day, Manchester Central (Employer encounters) Careers Enrichment assemblies: University presentations (& time allocated to attend Open Days of interest) |

| | - EPQ & Enrichment presentations | | |
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| 13 | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews (on request) University Visit (whole cohort) Apprenticeship Application Sessions UCAS/Personal Statement Morning UCAS/Apprenticeship Show, Old Trafford (Employer encounters) Employer Careers Talks during lunch times Careers Exhibition, Adshead Hall (35+ exhibitors) Careers Enrichment assemblies: University presentations Interview Skills for University & Employment presentation Gap Year Opportunities presentation | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews (on request) National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week Careers Enrichment assemblies: University presentations (including UCAS Choices & Clearing, Student Finance & Student Accommodation) Careers lessons during PSE: Personal Branding What's an Entrepreneur? Leaving Education Moving Out: Becoming Independent | Careers weekly lunch time drop in sessions (Careers Adviser) Careers Guidance Interviews (on request) A Level Results Day (attended by Careers Adviser) |

^{*} Students can also take part in a range of extra-curricular activities available at Wellington School that can help them to develop employability skills and prepare them for life after school. A wide-ranging co-curricular programme includes a large number of clubs, societies and enrichment activities. Our co-curricular timetable is available elsewhere on this website.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme is available to all students from Year 9 and a variety of leadership and ambassadorial roles are available to all students.

All subject areas run their own bespoke careers activities in addition to the whole-school events listed above. These include university visits and career-inspired trips and visits, as well as invited visiting speakers and online careers events.