



Kingsmead School



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Careers Advice and Support for Year 11 Parents

Here is a list of useful websites and information that will support you in helping your child with regards to their next steps:

- Prospects – The Prospects website highlights lots of key information about a wide range of careers including the responsibilities, skills and most importantly, qualifications needed to get into this job: <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles>
- National Careers Service – Similarly, the National Careers Service has information on different careers and the requirements needed, but you can also search to see where different courses are taught: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>
- UCAS – The UCAS website allows you to search for all the different university courses available. If your child is considering going to university in the future, it is worthwhile looking at some entry requirements to see if they need specific subjects at A-Level. For example, if your child is looking to study Law in the future, A-Level English and History are sometimes required by specific universities: <https://www.ucas.com/explore/search>
- The Kingsmead Sixth Form prospectus and application form can be found online here. Please make sure students are looking at the entry requirements for each subject and that they are currently working towards meeting these targets: <https://www.kingsmeadschool.net/sixth-form/joining-us/>
- We will have our school's Futures Fayre on Wednesday, 12th February. All Year 11 students will attend, and parents are welcome to join us from 3:30pm-4:30pm. Further information will follow in the coming weeks.
- 1:1 Careers meetings – All Year 11 students will have a 1:1 careers meeting and following this, they will receive a personalised email with any links to websites and information that has been discussed in the meeting. Please ensure your child is reviewing their emails regularly as they will receive lots of useful information. Parents are welcome to attend their child's meeting, and therefore if you would like to come, please email so we can make an appointment to suit.
- Apprenticeships – The Gov.uk website is a great place for students to be searching for apprenticeships and the application forms. Students have been encouraged to look at the applications for apprenticeships and to be preparing themselves by making a start on their CV: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>
- The three main local colleges around the area are: South Staffordshire College, Walsall College and Stafford College - you can access information about their courses and open days on their websites. There are other colleges and training providers too should students wish to consider these.



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As always, I am more than happy to speak to any parent about their child's next steps and plans, so please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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