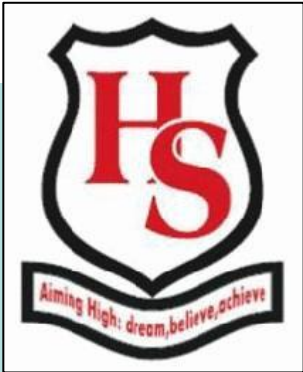


Careers Programme Overview

Hillcrest School Cramlington



Vision Statement

Our careers programme begins in Year 7. Every year, students learn about different aspects of careers and preparing for adulthood. They will also experience a range of workshops, workplaces, colleges and volunteering opportunities. Our aim is to make sure are students are as prepared as possible for life after Hillcrest, and leave with high aspirations and self-confidence.

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Milestones and Learning Outcomes

Key Events and Experiences



Year 12

There is an emphasis on higher education, apprenticeships, and the workplace. Students receive individual guidance, help with college applications, CVs, and interviews, and attend work experience placements. They will also focus on preparing for adulthood and becoming independent.

Year 11

Students get practical support for college, apprenticeship, or job applications. They practise interview skills and ensure they have a clear plan for post-16 destinations. They will explore occupational, academic and vocational pathways.

Year 10

Lessons focus on building employability skills, preparing CVs, and exploring post-16 education and training routes, including apprenticeships. They will explore the following sectors - construction, business, manufacturing, creative and digital.

Year 9

Students receive guidance on their exam and coursework options, considering how choices affect future careers. They deepen their knowledge of labour market information and personal strengths. For example, retail, healthcare, professional, scientific, technical, administration and further education sectors.

Year 8

Focus is on developing career aspirations through research and understanding the world of work. Students learn about employability skills and different career pathways. For example, critical thinking, problem solving, digital skills, teamwork, leadership and motivation.

Year 7

Students explore their strengths, interests, and values, and begin thinking about future careers. They will learn about the range of sectors including English, Science, Computing, Drama, Music, Physical Education, Religion, Languages, History and Geography.



Year 12

- ❖ Visitor interviews
- ❖ Career Advisor meetings
- ❖ Youth Employment UK courses
- ❖ Budgeting opportunities

In-house work experience:

- ★ Sixth Form Cafe
- ★ The Hope Centre

Year 11

- ❖ Independent Travel Training
- ❖ Youth Employment Online courses
- ❖ Peer Mentoring
- ❖ College Visits
- ❖ Role-play interviews

In-house work experience:

- ★ MUGA Maintenance
- ★ Bike Maintenance
- ★ Gardeners

Year 10

- ❖ Game Design
- ❖ Stem Hub Kits
- ❖ Construction tasters
- ❖ ASK sessions

In-house work experience:

- ★ PE Container
- ★ Caretaker Apprentices
- ★ Sensory Rooms

Year 9

- ❖ Centre for Life
- ❖ First Aid sessions
- ❖ Game Design
- ❖ Sublime Science Museum

In-house work experience:

- ★ School Grounds Keepers
- ★ School Cleaners
- ★ Car Wash

Year 8

- ❖ Cragside
- ❖ Bowling
- ❖ Obstacle course
- ❖ Stem Hub Kits
- ❖ Plan trip
- ❖ Beach

In-house work experience:

- ★ School Grounds Keepers
- ★ School Cleaners
- ★ Car Wash

Year 7

- ❖ Port of Blyth
- ❖ Museums
- ❖ Concordia
- ❖ BBC Newcastle
- ❖ Places of Worship
- ❖ New Writing North

In-house work experience:

- ★ Recycle Monitors
- ★ Cooking Room Assistants
- ★ Admin & Librarians

Inspiring and preparing young people for the world of work.