



Admissions 2022

Careers

Dane Court students are encouraged to strive for excellence. This is regarded as being a key to career success.

Academic qualifications alone are not sufficient however, and much effort is directed towards nurturing self-confidence, self-discipline, and the skills necessary to prepare students to face the realities of the outside world.

Particular phases in a student's secondary school career require specific attention. All students are interviewed individually at crucial stages in their development in order to ensure that decisions are made against the background of the fullest possible information and advice. All students participate in a structured programme of social and vocational guidance from years 7 to 13.

- Year 7** • Induction programme in September of entry and discrete lessons through their PSHE programme where careers will be one of the issues discussed.
- Year 8** • Seminars and independent learning sessions to introduce life choices and early problem solving exercises to develop prioritising skills. A visit to a careers fair.
- Year 9** • Careers fair visit to engage with employers and gain knowledge from experts in the field.
 - Guidance leading up to option choices for GCSE delivered by form mentors and senior staff.
- Year 10** • Concentration on improving IT and transferable 'soft' skills and understanding of personal finance.
 - Business of Enterprise project to develop business knowledge, entrepreneurship and presentation skills.
 - Global Village careers fair: CV building and interview technique.
- Year 11** • Dedicated careers lessons, integrated into the Independent Cultural Enrichment (ICE) curriculum. A detailed review of choices at 16+ and instruction regarding on-line applications for further education. Also, a module which examines topical issues in the world of work such as contracts and equal opportunities.
 - Interview with an independent careers advisor or a senior member of staff.
- Year 12** • Modules of careers-specific topics including detailed study of and research into higher education choices and student finance.
 - Job sampling available upon request. IBCP students engage with employees for an extended time.
- Year 13** • More detailed guidance regarding individual career paths and higher education with specific instruction on UCAS application and student finance.
 - Global Village careers fair, with workshops and question time with panellists who are successful in their own field.