

15 September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Careers Support

As I am sure you are aware, this academic year is a very exciting and busy one for your child and they will need to make some decisions about their next steps in the coming months. We are fortunate to have a wide range of providers of academic and vocational training locally and we would recommend that you take some time to explore all the options available for your child and have a first choice and a back-up plan.

Over this term your child will receive a careers guidance appointment from a qualified careers adviser to explore their post-sixteen options. An electronic action plan will be produced and emailed to their Academy or personal account. Applications for sixth forms, including our own, will close around Christmas time and I would recommend that applications to college are also completed by Christmas. It is important that your child applies to more than one provider so that they have a back-up plan as many competitive courses fill up early.

Many Apprenticeship applications also go live from January 2026 for school leavers and further support will be offered next year for students wishing to explore this route. However, for further information please visit www.apprenticeships.gov.uk

Providers will hold open days and below are some key dates of events you may wish to attend with your child. Please note many require booking in advance so please visit the provider website in advance to find out the times and secure your ticket to attend:

The Bourne Academy Sixth Form

The Bourne Academy Sixth form has grown considerably since its launch. We offer a variety of both A level and BTEC courses and were recently awarded the National BTEC School of the Year award. The majority of our 6th formers go on to university, while others have gained prestigious apprenticeships or gone into work. Year 11 students will have the opportunity to learn more about specific subjects and speak to staff at the Sixth Form Fair on the morning of Wednesday 15 October. There is an open evening for parent/carers to attend to find out more held on **Wednesday 15 October 17:30-19:00**

Canford School

Saturday 4 October

Opportunity for a scholarship place for highly academic students. It is important that if your child is interested in finding out more you attend this Open Day event. Potential scholars can meet a Senior Leader from Canford at TBA during tutor times this term. Please email the careers team by 25th September, if you and your child are interested.

16+ Entry - Canford School

Bournemouth and Poole College

Thursday 2nd October, Saturday 11 October and Saturday 15 November Open Events | College | Bournemouth & Poole College

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Brockenhurst College

Saturday 27 September, Saturday 18 October and Wednesday 1 July 2026 <u>Events - Brockenhurst College</u>

Kingston Maurwood College (now Coastland College)

Specialists in land based and animal care courses

Tuesday 23rd September 5-7pm - Pre-register here: <u>Kingston Maurward Open Evening</u>, Saturdays
18th October, 15th November, 7th March and 9th May
Kingston Maurward Upcoming events

All our students have access to a careers online platform called 'Unifrog' which has a variety of information on jobs, CV's and careers information. Students can access this from a welcome email in their Academy email account. If they forget their password, they just need to click 'reset password' to reset it.

If you have any concerns or queries regarding your child's careers provision or if you wish to attend a careers meeting with your child, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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Yours sincerely,

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