



PATERNOSTER SCHOOL PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY STATEMENT

Introduction:

Paternoster School actively encourages visits from colleges, schools and other providers who can give our pupils and their families advice and information about their future options. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997, The Department of Education Baker Clause, 2021 and the Provider Access Legislation, January 2023.

Aims:

The aims of our Provider Access policy statement are:

To develop the knowledge and awareness of our students of all career pathways available to them, including technical qualifications and apprenticeships where appropriate.

To support young people to be able to learn more about opportunities for education and training outside of school before making crucial choices about their future options.

To reduce drop out from courses and avoid the risk of students becoming NEET (Young people not in education, employment or training).

To set out the school's arrangements for managing access to pupils by providers.

Pupil Entitlement:

All pupils in Years 8 to 11 are entitled to:

- A planned careers programme which enables them to find out about the range of education and training options as they approach transition at the end of Key Stage 4, including technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities where appropriate.
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, through subject course work, assemblies, group discussions and taster events.
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Opportunities for Access:

A number of events integrated into the school careers programme offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers.

Procedure:

Providers who wish to request access should contact:

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Careers Lead

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Grounds for granting requests for access

Access will be given for providers to attend during school assemblies, timetabled Careers lessons, and Careers or Moving On events arranged by the school.

Details of facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

The school will provide an appropriate room or assembly hall to be agreed with the provider. All rooms have computers, projectors and screens provided. Appropriate safeguarding checks will be carried out. Providers will be met and supervised by a named member of staff.

Parents and Carers

Parental involvement is encouraged and parents may be invited to events to meet providers.

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