



YOUR TERMLY NEWSLETTER - CAREERS @ NS!

WE'RE EXCITED TO LAUNCH THE VERY FIRST EDITION OF OUR NS CAREERS NEWSLETTER. IT'S BEEN A BUSY AND INSPIRING FEW TERMS AS WE CONTINUE TO BUILD A STRONG, FUTURE-FOCUSED CAREERS PROGRAMME FOR ALL STUDENTS.

OUR DEDICATED TEAM — MRS BARNETT-VINCENT (CAREERS LEAD) AND MRS HINTON (CAREERS ADVISOR) — IS GROWING, AND WE'VE RECENTLY ADVERTISED FOR A WORK EXPERIENCE ADMINISTRATOR TO FURTHER ENHANCE WHAT WE OFFER.

ALL STUDENTS NOW HAVE ACCESS TO UNIFROG, OUR ALL-IN-ONE CAREERS PLATFORM. THEY'VE ALREADY STARTED EXPLORING JOB ROLES, COMPLETING QUIZZES, RESEARCHING FUTURE PATHWAYS AND BUILDING THEIR SKILLS PROFILES. THIS WILL SUPPORT THEM AS THEY PLAN FOR POST-16 AND POST-18 OPTIONS, INCLUDING APPRENTICESHIPS, SIXTH FORM, UNIVERSITY AND FUTURE EMPLOYMENT.

OUR CAREERS NEWSLETTER WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED WITH UPCOMING EVENTS, TRIPS, EMPLOYER ENCOUNTERS AND KEY OPPORTUNITIES — ALL DESIGNED TO INSPIRE AMBITION AND GUIDE STUDENTS TOWARDS SUCCESSFUL FUTURES.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO GET INVOLVED, OFFER SUPPORT, OR SIMPLY SAY HELLO, PLEASE CONTACT US AT: NS-CAREERS@NSBTRUST.SCHOOL

WE'RE THRILLED TO BEGIN THIS JOURNEY WITH YOU — AND EVEN MORE EXCITED FOR WHAT'S AHEAD FOR OUR STUDENTS.

NEWS:

WE'RE EXCITED TO HOST OUR FIRST EVER CAREERS FAIR, WITH OVER 20 EMPLOYERS, TRAINING PROVIDERS AND EDUCATION PARTNERS JOINING US TO INSPIRE OUR STUDENTS. YEAR 9 WILL VISIT DURING LESSON TIME TO EXPLORE FUTURE PATHWAYS AND SEE HOW THEIR SUBJECTS LINK TO THE WORLD OF WORK. PARENTS AND CARERS ARE WARMLY INVITED TO DROP IN AFTER SCHOOL FROM 3.45PM–4.45PM TO SPEAK DIRECTLY WITH EMPLOYERS AND SUPPORT THEIR CHILD'S PLANNING. THIS EVENT REFLECTS OUR COMMITMENT TO STRONG PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND OUR SCHOOL VALUES OF AMBITION, CURIOSITY AND RESPONSIBILITY, ENCOURAGING STUDENTS TO THINK BIG AND TAKE OWNERSHIP OF THEIR CAREERS JOURNEY.

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NS WAS PROUD TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK, GIVING STUDENTS A DEEPER LOOK INTO THEIR FUTURE PATHWAYS AND HELPING THEM UNDERSTAND HOW SCHOOL LEARNING CONNECTS TO REAL-WORLD OPPORTUNITIES.

THE WEEK BEGAN WITH A WHOLE-SCHOOL CAREERS ASSEMBLY LED BY THE PD TEAM, WHO INTRODUCED STUDENTS TO LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION (LMI) AND EXPLAINED HOW IT CAN GUIDE INFORMED, AMBITIOUS DECISION-MAKING ABOUT FUTURE EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT.

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK, EVERY DEPARTMENT BROUGHT CAREERS INTO THE CLASSROOM. TEACHERS HIGHLIGHTED HOW THEIR SUBJECTS LINK TO A WIDE RANGE OF JOBS AND HELPED STUDENTS RECOGNISE THE TRANSFERABLE SKILLS—LIKE COMMUNICATION, TEAMWORK, PROBLEM-SOLVING AND RESILIENCE— THAT THEY DEVELOP EVERY DAY AT NS AND WILL CARRY WITH THEM INTO THE WIDER WORLD.

IT WAS AN INSPIRING WEEK THAT ENCOURAGED STUDENTS TO THINK CONFIDENTLY ABOUT THEIR FUTURES AND UNDERSTAND THE MANY POSSIBILITIES AHEAD.

UNIFROG

STUDENTS AT NS USE UNIFROG, AN ONLINE CAREERS PLATFORM THAT HELPS THEM EXPLORE PATHWAYS, RESEARCH JOBS AND BUILD KEY SKILLS. IT SUPPORTS INFORMED CHOICES AT EVERY STAGE. PLEASE LOG IN WITH YOUR CHILD AND EXPLORE IT TOGETHER — IT'S A GREAT WAY TO START CONVERSATIONS ABOUT FUTURE OPTIONS.

UPCOMING EVENTS

YEAR 9 CAREERS FAIR
WEDNESDAY 22ND APRIL 2026

VOLUNTEERS WELCOME

WORK EXPERIENCE DROP IN SESSIONS

WEDNESDAY
M103

1.15PM - 1.55PM

COME AND SPEAK TO MRS HINTON ABOUT WORK EXPERIENCE OR ANY CAREERS RELATED QUESTIONS.

ANY QUESTIONS OR TO OFFER SUPPORT -
PLEASE EMAIL:
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WORK EXPERIENCE INTRODUCTION 2026

YEAR 9 STUDENTS AT NS HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED TO THE WORLD OF WORK AS PART OF OUR ONGOING CAREERS PROGRAMME. AS THEY PREPARE FOR KEY STAGE 4, IT'S IMPORTANT THEY BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENT PATHWAYS AVAILABLE TO THEM AND THE SKILLS EMPLOYERS VALUE.

THIS YEAR'S DATES ARE:
MONDAY 12TH – FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2026

WORK EXPERIENCE IS A KEY PART OF GATSBY BENCHMARK 6 (EXPERIENCES OF THE WORKPLACE). IT GIVES STUDENTS THE CHANCE TO DEVELOP CONFIDENCE, LEARN WORKPLACE EXPECTATIONS, EXPLORE POTENTIAL CAREER INTERESTS, AND BUILD TRANSFERABLE SKILLS THAT SUPPORT FUTURE EMPLOYMENT, APPRENTICESHIPS, OR FURTHER STUDY.

DURING PD SESSIONS, STUDENTS HAVE BEEN WORKING THROUGH A STRUCTURED PREPARATION PROGRAMME USING UNIFROG. THEY HAVE:

- COMPLETED THE ENVIRONMENTS QUIZ TO EXPLORE JOB AREAS THEY ARE WELL SUITED TO
- CARRIED OUT RESEARCH SESSIONS INTO CAREERS OF INTEREST
- CREATED A LETTER OF APPLICATION
- BEGUN CONTACTING AT LEAST THREE EMPLOYERS AHEAD OF THE EASTER BREAK

WE KINDLY ASK PARENTS AND CARERS TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD IN SECURING A PLACEMENT, USING YOUR OWN NETWORKS, CONTACTS, OR WORKPLACE LINKS WHERE POSSIBLE. CONVERSATIONS AT HOME ABOUT INTERESTS, STRENGTHS, AND SUITABLE ENVIRONMENTS WILL ALSO MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO VISIT THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. YOU'LL FIND OUR PARENTS' AND CARERS GUIDE TO WORK EXPERIENCE, ALONG WITH A RECORDED OVERVIEW DESIGNED TO SUPPORT YOU AND YOUR CHILD THROUGH EVERY STEP OF THE PROCESS. THESE RESOURCES WILL HELP YOU FEEL CONFIDENT, INFORMED AND FULLY PREPARED AS WE MOVE FORWARD.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR NEED SUPPORT, PLEASE CONTACT THE NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL CAREERS TEAM.