Useful Career Resources

The following resources are shared and discussed with your daughter as part of the Careers Education, Information Advice and Guidance and Work-Related Learning programme offered at The Holy Cross School. The intention in introducing a range of resources is to spark curiosity within each student about what they may wish to study or which career they would like to explore. Following career discussions with the Careers Adviser additional resources are provided based on the individual student's goals. All students are encouraged to continue using the resources in order to support their own individual educational and career aspirations.



Key Stage 3 and 4

- This guide provides a career toolkit for parents/carers:
 https://www.pshe-association.org.uk/system/files/Your%20Daughters%20Future.pdf
- The following resources are provided for by the school and individual log-in details are provided for each student. Please speak to Mrs Young if log-in information is needed.

Kudos – A career development service helping you to explore, develop and maximise your potential: https://kudos.cascaid.co.uk/

Start – All students use this during Careers PSHE lessons. It enables students to explore a large number of careers, the qualifications required for different jobs, where to study and gain an understanding of some key labour market information. All students should track their career action plans within the tool: https://www.startprofile.com/

- Additional resources for students to access;
 - iCould Take the Buzz Quiz and watch video clips of people talking about their jobs: https://icould.com/
 - Success at School Provides a place for young people to explore careers, get the lowdown on top employers, and search for the latest jobs, courses and advice: https://successatschool.org/
 - Informed Choices enables Year 10 and 11 students to think about their educational choices post GSCE:

https://www.informedchoices.ac.uk/

Apprenticeships

The website below provides a quick overview for parents/carers on Apprenticeships. Information is also included about how to find an apprenticeship through registering on the Government apprenticeship website (https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch):

https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2018/07/Guide-to-Apprenticeships_090418.pdf

More detailed information can be found on this website: http://www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk/

Labour Market Information

All the websites mentioned above include up-to-date information about trends in employment for each role. Further information can also be found on the following website: https://www.lmiforall.org.uk/

Key Stage 5 – Sixth Form

The Sixth Form students are provided with several booklets to support their choices on leaving school, including guides on Choices, Personal Statement Writing, Oxbridge, Medicine and Apprenticeships. There are additional websites listed within each of these booklets.

All students are provided with the log-in details for Higher Ideas – a website enabling students to search for degrees based on their subjects.

Higher Ideas - https://chas.careersoft.co.uk/

The additional resources are useful for those wanting to explore Higher Education (university)

- UCAS https://www.ucas.com/
- Which University https://university.which.co.uk/
- Russell Group https://russellgroup.ac.uk/for-students/undergraduate-study/uk-eu-students/
- Open Days https://www.opendays.com/

Student Finance Information:

- https://www.gov.uk/student-finance-register-login
- https://media.slc.co.uk/sfe/quickStartFinanceGuide/index.html

Apprenticeships

In addition to the resources listed above, the following guide provides a helpful overview of both Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

- Which University Apprenticeship Guide https://university.which.co.uk/teachers/introduce-higher-education-options/higher-and-degree-apprenticeships-guide-download#option1
- Not Going to Uni https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/

Volunteering

- **Do It** https://do-it.org/
- VInspired https://vinspired.com/
- National Citizen Service https://www.ncsyes.co.uk/