

Year 8

• All students will have access to a careers fair to ensure that they are well informed about the opportunities and available to them when they leave TQEA.

We recognise that students will want to know as early as possible where the qualifications and skills they gain at TQEA can take them. This Fair enables students to seek advice about subject combinations for careers and vocations from a wide range of local 6th Forms, Colleges, apprenticeship providers, higher education institutions and employers. It is important for us to ensure that all students are aware of the vast range of opportunities available to them and receive the strongest advice and guidance possible to make these important choices. Students are able to ask guestions, pick up literature and even make contacts to pursue in the future.

• All students will have a careers interview which will result in a plan being formed to support their aspirations. These plans will be shared with tutors to support students in reaching their goals. This experience will be replicated in Year 10

TQEA will support all students and where possible parents to meet the careers adviser to draw up an action plan to achieve their ambitions. Since aspirations can change we offer this experience in both key stages. We also understand the power of the guiding influence of the tutor and they will receive these plans to support their students in achieving these ambitions and mentoring them to achieve their short-term and long-term goals.

• All students will be taught about trends in employment opportunities and labour market information and how they can inform decision making when pursuing a particular career.

TQEA will support all students to identify the trends in employment rates in a range of careers and the impact this can have on their chosen career path. PSHE lessons will use the launchyourcareer website to support students in researching trends in employment opportunities and salary fluctuations. Students will also be taught about the impact of this labour market information on career opportunities to help them identify suitable career pathways.