

Choosing your pathway / options and considering your future

DIRECTION AND DESTINATIONS DAY 2018

Aims of D&D ...

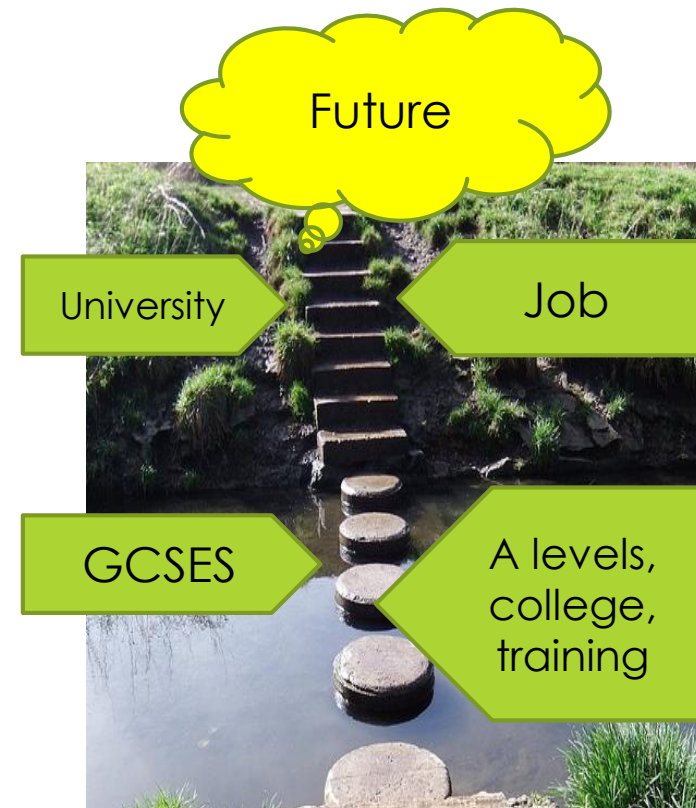
Year 8 is a very important Year for you as you will choose your pathway / options.

When considering your GCSE choices, you need to think about...

- What career pathway you would like to take at 18+. Some careers require specific GCSE's and A Levels.
- What GCSE's you will need to take to chose certain A Levels or Level 3 qualifications at 18+
- The different options at 16+ and 18+ - A Levels, NVQ's, Apprenticeships etc
- What Universities offer and the qualifications they would like you to have.
- Which subjects do you love ? Which subjects match your skills ?

Just a few things you need to think about, D&D will help !

What are my choices at:



Outline for D&D Day...

The outline of the day for D&D is very different from a normal school day.

The schedule for the day will depend on your Tutor Group. You will receive a letter today. Please take this home and give to your parents.

- Please arrive 5/10 minutes before your registration time and go to the allocated room
- Please be in full school uniform
- You will attend a workshop delivered by your tutor (time on letter)
- You will attend the exhibition with your tutor (time on your letter)
- Please note that there will be no refreshments on site during the morning

Outline for the D&D Day...

| Workshop | Registration | Session 1 (10 - 10.40am) | Session 2 (10.45 - 11.25) | Registration | Session 3 (11.30 - 12.10) | Session 4 (12.15- 12.55) |
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| 8C (Liza Thomas) | 9.45 (W05) | Exhibition | HZ1 | | | |
| 8E (Giovanna Stewart) | 9.45 (W06) | Exhibition | HZ1 | | | |
| 8F (Amy Slinger) | 9.45 (HZ1) | HZ1 | Exhibition | | | |
| 8M (Freddie Thomlinson) | 9.45 (HZ1) | HZ1 | Exhibition | | | |
| 8N (Arpita Patel / Elena Dymock) | | | | 11.15 (W05) | Exhibition | HZ1 |
| 8P (Cairalee Hopwood, Mano Siva) | | | | 11.15 (W06) | Exhibition | HZ1 |
| 8R (Mark Wood) | | | | 11.15 (HZ1) | HZ1 | Exhibition |
| 8S (Alex Sampson) | | | | 11.15 (HZ1) | HZ1 | Exhibition |
| 8W (Caroline Cook) | | | | 11.15 (S03) | S03 | Exhibition |

Key areas to investigate on Friday.....

Choices at 14

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Colleges

- What types of course do they offer ?
- How are these courses different to what would be on offer at schools ?
- Are there any preferred GCSE choices to apply for courses you might be interested in ?
- What GCSE Grades will I need ?
- What Apprenticeships do you offer ? What GCSE's will I need ?

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Universities

- What courses do they offer ?
- What GCSE and A Level's will I need to apply for the course I am interested in ?
- What are the fees to study at university
- What is the accommodation like ?

Employers

- What qualifications do I need to work in this career pathway ?
- Do you prefer certain GCSE choices ?
- Are their apprenticeships in this career pathway ?

Key areas to investigate on Friday.....Vocational Study

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If A Levels are not the right for you, vocational education may well be the right choice.

Vocational qualifications come in many forms, but the most common choices are:

- NVQ Qualifications (Plumbing, Electrical, Construction, Catering etc)
- BTEC Diploma (2 or 3 A Level equivalent course that equate to GCSE & A Level Study)

The Levels:

Level 1: GCSE Equivalent D to G

Level 2: GCSE Equivalent C to A

Level 3: A Level Equivalent

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dmSzMOA0AYE>

Key areas to investigate on Friday.....Apprenticeships

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What are apprenticeships?

An apprenticeship combines learning and working. Apprenticeships offer structured courses of study that lead to qualifications whilst actually working and being paid to do a job. Anyone aged 16 or over can apply for an apprenticeship. They last a minimum of 12 months to 4 years, and are available in 170 industries. Apprenticeships can lead on to Higher Education or full-time employment.

Types of apprenticeship:

Intermediate - equivalent to 5 GCSE passes

Advanced - equivalent to 2 A-levels

Higher - can lead to NVQ level 4 or above, or to a foundation degree.

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