SPARK Pathways – Whole School Overview

As part of the SPARK tutor programme, students will have a weekly **Pathways** session, founded on our school value of **Aspiration**. This element of SPARK includes learning about choices and pathways, work and career, and employment rights and responsibilities.

	CYCLE 1	CYCLE 2	CYCLE 3	CYCLE 4
YEAR 7	Students will learn: about different types and patterns of work, including employment, self-	Students will learn: about young people's employment	about routes into work, training and other vocational and academic opportunities, and progression routes; the benefits of setting ambitious goals	Students will learn: about different types and patterns of work, including employment, self-
YEAR 8	employment and voluntary work; that everyone has a different pathway through life, education and work; about different work roles and career pathways, including clarifying their own early aspirations.	rights and responsibilities; how to manage emotions in relation to future employment. This will involve researching employment rights and exploring how different jobs are linked to school	and being open to opportunities in all aspects of life; to recognise and challenge stereotypes and family or cultural expectations that may limit aspirations; Y9 students will learn about options	employment and voluntary work; that everyone has a different pathway through life, education and work; about different work roles and career pathways, including clarifying their own early aspirations.
YEAR 9	This will involve finding out about - and reflecting on – a different job or career each week.	subjects (Maths and Science).	available to them at the end of KS3. This will involve considering creative careers and how some careers are related to school subjects.	This will include reflecting on a range of jobs and careers, and how some of these are related to school subjects.

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YEAR 10	Students will learn: about the range of opportunities available to them for career progression, including in education, training and employment; about the labour market, local, national and international employment opportunities; about employment sectors and types, and changing patterns of employment. This will involve finding out about - and reflecting on – a different job or career each week, and considering connections with school subjects.	about the range of opportunities available to them for career progression; about the need to challenge stereotypes about particular career pathways, maintain high aspirations for their future and embrace new opportunities; to research, secure and take full advantage of any opportunities for work experience; about confidentiality in the workplace, when it should be kept and when it might need to be broken; about the unacceptability and illegality of discrimination and harassment in the workplace, and how to challenge it.	to research, secure and take full advantage of any opportunities for work experience; how their strengths, interests, skills and qualities are changing and how these relate to future career choices and employability; the skills and attributes to manage rights and responsibilities at work including health and safety procedures. Students will be working on the Prince's Trust - Experiencing the World of Work Unit in Cycles 3 and 4. Personal Development and Employability skills 2021 (princestrust.org.uk)	Students will learn: about the range of opportunities available to them for career progression; about the need to challenge stereotypes about particular career pathways, maintain high aspirations for their future and embrace new opportunities; about the labour market, local, national and international employment opportunities; about employment sectors and types, and changing patterns of employment; to research, secure and take full advantage of any opportunities for work experience.
YEAR 11	how their strengths, interests, skills and qualities are changing and how these relate to future career choices and employability; about the range of opportunities available to them for career progression; about the information, advice and guidance available to them on next steps and careers; how to access appropriate support and opportunities.	Students will learn: how their strengths, interests, skills and qualities are changing and how these relate to future career choices and employability; to develop their career identity, including values in relation to work, and how to maximise their chances when applying for education or employment opportunities. Students will complete personal statements during this 9-week cycle.	Students will learn: about the range of opportunities available to them for career progression; about the benefits and challenges of cultivating career opportunities online; about strategies to manage their online presence and its impact on career opportunities. Towards the end of this 9-week cycle, students will use SPARK for independent revision in preparation for exams.	During this 9-week cycle, students will use SPARK for independent revision in preparation for exams.