

Gatsby Benchmarks



Bridgewater School
WHERE INDIVIDUALS COUNT

Gatsby Benchmark	Our approach – in Sixth Form
1. A stable careers programme	A structured programme of careers education, information, advice and guidance embedded within the Sixth Form tutorial, enrichment and wider curriculum.
2. Learning from career and labour market information	Students use trusted careers resources and labour market information to research professions, employment trends, entry requirements, salaries and progression opportunities.
3. Addressing the needs of each pupil	Individual guidance, close pastoral relationships and the Careers Passport help students develop plans reflecting their own strengths, interests, circumstances and aspirations.
4. Linking curriculum learning to careers	Students are encouraged to understand how their academic subjects, wider skills and experiences connect with higher education, employment and future careers.
5. Encounters with employers and employees	Careers events, talks, workshops and engagement with employers, alumni and local organisations give students insight into a broad range of professions and sectors.
6. Experiences of workplaces	Work experience and other workplace encounters enable students to develop employability skills and gain first-hand understanding of professional environments.
7. Encounters with further and higher education	University and college visits, open days and encounters with universities, training organisations and apprenticeship providers help students understand the breadth of post-18 opportunities available.
8. Personal guidance	Students have access to impartial personal careers guidance, complemented by ongoing individual support from Sixth Form staff throughout their post-18 decision-making and application process.