



Community Careers Newsletter

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Welcome to the Kingswood Secondary's Aspiration and Careers Newsletter for December 2023

Careers Fair on Thursday, January 18th 2024

We would like to take this opportunity to invite any members of the Kingswood Secondary Academy community to attend our Careers Fair **between 3:10 pm and 6 pm on January 18th 2024.**

As an academy we have previously welcomed employers and their employees into the Academy to give our students a valuable insight into a range of careers, but this year is our best year ever with at least 40 confirmed attendees (shown in the image below) from a range of career sectors and job types.

Why are we hosting this event? Our aims are aspirational. We want to:

- Broaden aspirations and challenge stereotypes, particularly in time for Year 9 students choosing their options.
- Help children make links between the subjects they are studying and their futures and in doing so motivate them to work harder and improve their educational attainment.
- Increase students' awareness to the vast array of careers available to them.
- Raise the awareness of vocational and alternative pathways.
- Develop and maintain links with local employers.

What will this look like on the day?

Employers will be available to talk with, each will host a stand in one of our large function spaces and you will be welcome to visit as many as you would like to find out more from their career path and sector.

Who is attending? Which careers will be represented? Which sectors are available?

The list of attendees is shown as a graphic of logos below. There is a wide range of careers provided with local colleges and universities also represented.

How will I communicate with the employers and employees to get the most out of meeting them?

You are welcome to start your own conversation, but we can provide you with some questions to get you thinking if this would be helpful.

You said this event would be helpful to Year 9 students choosing their options, how?

All Year 9 students will be off timetable for period 5 of the day (2:10-3:10) to meet with the employers (with the Sixth Form students) before other members of the community are able to come into the Academy to attend. This means they have the time to ask a range of questions and engage fully with the employers and employees. It will give them the chance to find out about a career they might be interested in and know the qualifications they need to work in this field that could affect their G.C.S.E. (and equivalent) choices. They will be provided with questions to ask and a sheet to complete as they walk around.

You said the event is going to be held in the large function spaces in the school, where does this mean and is there access provided to the space?

The Main Hall is the location for the event, there is lift access to the first floor, making it accessible for all.

What do I need to do next?

If you intend to come, absolutely nothing other than come to the Academy on **January 18th 2024**, follow the signs or guidance from staff and students and enjoy the event.

If you do not want to attend, you do not have to but please encourage students to stay after the end of the day to engage with employers and employees who have given up their time to help us achieve our aims.

Is there any other information I need?

Car parking is available but please use public transport, walk or cycle instead if this is possible. The event is free, and you do not need to pre-register or let us know you intend to participate.

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The Kingswood Secondary Academy Careers Event, 18 January 3– 6pm



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