



KEY DATES

16 February 2011
Progression Evening

Summer Term 2011
HE Fair
Options Presentations

Late September 2011
College deadline for UCAS applications to
Oxford/Cambridge/Medicine/Veterinary Science and Dentistry

Early November 2011
College deadline for all other UCAS applications



Information Booklet

for

Students and Parents

Welcome to the Careers and Progression Department (based in the Learning Resource Centre). Our aim is to provide advice and guidance to all students on any matters relating to careers, employment or higher education. This advice includes career counselling, job applications, course applications, apprenticeships, work experience, interview techniques and planning a gap year. Students can book an appointment with Sarah Jarrett, the College Student Guidance and Progression Manager, or Sue Ratcliffe, the personal adviser from Shropshire Youth Connexions, or alternatively 'drop in' for general advice.

Careers Library

The Careers Library contains a range of literature, university prospectuses and information leaflets, and students are encouraged to come and browse through the information. Parents can access some of our information leaflets on the Careers and Progression page of the College website http://www.ssfc.ac.uk/careers_progression.asp.

Careers Bulletin

The Careers Bulletin on Moodle (the College intranet) contains up to date and important information relating to careers:

- Careers events
- Sponsorships and scholarships
- Residential courses
- Open days
- Job vacancies
- Information on applying to UCAS
- Gap year opportunities

Careers Events

Our Progression Evening (to be held on 16 February 2011) is a useful opportunity for Year 1 students to discuss careers with local employers from a range of occupational areas and to find out more about going into higher education.

All Year 1 students attend a presentation in the summer term, which explains the options available to them when they leave College.

There are also presentations on specific subjects such as applying to Oxford and Cambridge.

Every year we run a trip to a national higher education fair, usually in the summer term, which students have found useful to obtain specific information on over 100 institutions.

Higher Education

The College helps students with their applications to higher education; information and advice in support of this is available in the Careers and Progression Department as well as on the Careers page of Moodle.

Employment and Training

To those students considering employment after leaving College, we provide access to advice, support and information on local and national vacancies and training opportunities.

Useful Websites

Higher Education

www.ucas.com
www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance
www.prospect.ac.uk

Further Education

www.direct.gov.uk
www.shropshireyouth.com
www.connexions-direct.com
www.shrewsbury.ac.uk

Employment

www.notgoingtouni.co.uk
www.careersadvice.direct.gov.uk
www.jobcentreplus.gov.uk
www.shropshirestar.com
www.reed.co.uk
<http://jobseekers.direct.gov.uk/>

Apprenticeships

www.apprenticeships.org.uk
www.connexions-direct.com
www.shropshireyouth.com
www.shrewsbury.ac.uk
www.reed.co.uk/apprenticeships

Gap Year

www.yearoutgroup.com
www.gap-year.com
www.gapwork.com
www.yini.org.uk
www.vso.org.uk

www.realgap.co.uk
www.gapyearjobs.co.uk
www.gapyeardirectory.co.uk
www.tefl.com
www.lattitude.org.uk