

Balcarras School: Provider Access Policy

Introduction: this policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the school for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Pupil entitlement:

All pupils in years 7-13 are entitled

- to find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships opportunities, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point;
- to hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Management of provider access requests:

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Mrs V Bull, Careers Leader, Balcarras School 01242 515882 (146) email vb@balcarras.gloucs.sch.uk.

Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers: These include speaker sessions, PSHE programme delivery and the careers week and Careers Fair held in the first week of October every year. (full programme is on the school website)

Please speak to our Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and facilities

If a visit is agreed the school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or a member of their team. Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature in the Careers Office which is managed by the careers department. The Careers Office is available to all students at lunch and break times as well as during the school day.

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Signed:  13.12.18

Chair of Governors (Rosi Shepherd)

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Head teacher (Dominic Burke)