

<https://www.southmoorschool.co.uk/careers-explorer/> has a variety of resources to support students with their career choices, including videos, activities and guidance.

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk> - Provides information, advice and guidance to help individuals make decisions on learning, training and work. Young people can explore over 800 different career profiles and learn more about skills needed for potential new careers.

<https://icould.com> - Young people can explore a range of different career options and be inspired by real life stories from those who are currently following those career pathways.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/careers> - This website is packed full of resources for young people to understand more about the world of work, including advice from people who have found the right path for them. The website also provides access to many BBC programmes featuring careers and the world of work.

<https://successatschool.org> - Careers Advice for students and parents. Young people and parents can explore careers, find out about top employers, and search for the latest advice, jobs, courses and more. Parents can register for their own newsletter and you can download student and parent guides.

www.ucas.com - The University Admissions service website allows you to search any course interest across all UK universities. It will also indicate which subjects and grades are required to access specific courses and careers.

All further education and training providers, university and apprentice providers have key subject and career information on their own websites.

General Advice to Pupils

Choose a subject you enjoy and are good at.

Do not choose a subject because your friends are doing it or because you like a particular teacher. Most likely your friends will be in a different group and you will have a change of teacher!

Do not select a subject thinking that you can change your mind later.

Think carefully about what you are going to do post 16. Find out what subjects you will need to do courses at further and higher education levels.

Please read the individual subject areas for more specific exam / coursework details

Please note that the information contained in this booklet is correct at time of going to print but may be subject to change. It should also be noted we might not be able to run some courses if numbers of pupils choosing them are too low to be viable.

Post-16 Progress and Careers Advice

Wherever you go at the end of Year 11, after the raising of the school leaving age you will now need to be in some form of training or education until the age of 18. The pathway you choose at Key Stage 4 will give you both skills that might be directly relevant in the workplace, and skills that might help you on to the next stage of your education.

Your options will fall into three categories:

- ▶ To continue in full time education at Sixth Form or College
- ▶ To continue learning through Work Based Learning programmes such as Traineeship or Study Programme
- ▶ To gain work experience and qualifications through Apprenticeship.

Advice and guidance on the full range of options open to you will be available through our Sixth Form team and the Academy careers provision, as well as the National Careers Service.

Whatever you are looking at doing, your core provision will provide the main skills and grades necessary. For example, 5 grade 5s at GCSE including English will get you into the Sixth Form at Southmoor. If for whatever reason you have been unable to do an option at GCSE, you may well be able to still pick it up at A-level. If in any doubt, please contact the Sixth Form team for advice.

In Year 11 pupils have a short, informal, and independent consultation interview with an experienced Careers Adviser and support from our Sixth Form guidance team. Should an extended interview be required, parents are invited to attend.