PREPARING FOR YOUR FUTURE

SIXTH FORM CAREERS

2025/26



STUDENT INFORMATION



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Our Careers Lead and Advisor is Mrs Jo Rich. She can be contacted via email: j.rich@denemagna.gloucs.sch.uk.



She is available for appointments, on request, every Wednesday morning, Week B and can be found in Room 38. Please email her direct to book your appointment.



Careers Appointments

You have opportunities, in Year 12 and 13 to discuss your ideas for your next steps after Sixth Form. Mrs Rich uses careers counselling techniques to talk to you and help you think about all of the Post 18 opportunities available to you.

What to expect

You will talk about your subjects, what you enjoy and don't enjoy, your interests, skills and qualities, your work experience and your ideas for your next steps. You will take away actions to undertake to help you make the right decisions for you.

Careers Breakfasts





Throughout the year Careers Breakfasts are run. You are required to attend at least one of these during Year 12 (but you can attend as many as you like)

Get more information about any opportunities you are interested in from providers and people working or studying in the field.

This event should get you thinking about your exciting future. Get researching about some of the opportunities you are interested in:

- Think about the people you met
- Get more information about any opportunities you are interested in
- Start the plan for your future!



Business Breakfasts: 2025-26

September - October : Careers in Business and Finance: Speakers on banking, accountancy, insurance and entrepreneurship

November - December: Careers in Healthcare and Social Care:

Nursing, medicine, mental health and care work

Talks on NHS pathways, training routes and challenges in the sector.

January - February: Careers in Creative Industries and Media: Journalists, design specialists, TV/film, Marketing, Music and digital content.

March - April: Careers in Technology and Engineering: Speakers in software development, cybersecurity, engineering.

May: Careers in Education, Law and Public Services: Teachers, Lawyers, Civil Servants, Police

June - July: Careers in Travel, Hospitality and Sports:

Speakers from tourism, hotel management, aviation and professional sport.



Year 13 Mock Interviews 15th October 2025

Your opportunity to practice your interview skills in a safe and non pressurised environment. Employers we've had in past years were from...



Careers Fair 4th Feb 2026

EMPLOYERS

Future job opportunities after you have left education. Talk to the employers about pathways into a career with them, and what they look for in applicants.

UNIVERSITIES

Degree courses after leaving sixth form or college. Talk to the universities attending to find out about what is available locally and ask questions about studying for different types of over 50,000 degree subjects throughout the UK

TRAINING PROVIDERS

Apprenticeships and hands-on training after school or sixth form/college. Ask about all the different pathways available to you

- To give you the opportunity to learn about the provider and the approved education qualifications or apprenticeships that the provider offers.
- To enable you to obtain information about the careers to which those education
 qualifications or apprenticeships might lead.
- To enable you to ask, those in the know, what the learning or training with this
 provider is like.
- To give you the opportunity to ask any questions you have about the provider, course content, approved education qualifications and apprenticeships.





Work Experience

During Year 12 you will be expected to organise 5 working days worth of work experience for timetable suspension week in July 2026



Mrs Rich has a spreadsheet that can be shared with you if you need some inspiration and/or employer contact details. Please contact her via email.

For more information please look on the work experience page on the school website <u>here</u>

Workshops & Lessons

Over the course of Year 12 and 13 you will have the opportunity to attend the following visits, workshops and lessons

UCAS

- Introduction to UCAS
- Personal Statements & Application Support
- UCAS Discovery
- UCAS Exhibition
- University Taster & Open Days

Unifrog

- Post 18 Choices
 Choices
- Setting Career Goals
- How to newtowrk & be enterprising
- Wellbeing balancing, life, learning & work
- The basics of Interviews
- Personal Branding
- Confidently Managing Transitions
- Preparing for Employer assessment days
- Being Self-employed & working freelance

Extra & Super - Curricular Activities

Whether you are applying for an apprenticeship, thinking about university or looking at a future career, you will need to demonstrate that you have more than exam results. Remember that whatever you say about yourself, you will need to be able to prove it, so start collecting evidence as soon as you can.

School or College

Evidence from essays and coursework, presentations, MOOCs, organisation of revision and meeting deadlines, use of ICT, good attendance and punctuality and good communication with others.

Responsibilities

These may not be fun but they do demonstrate that you are mature and trustworthy – you may be caring for your siblings or another family member, you may babysit or do household tasks or you could have been involved in a team or group project.

Hobbies

These show that you are active outside of school or college and that you have lots of interests. Sports, acting, dancing and singing, programming, model making, drawing, photography, reading, reading journals, listening to podcasts, travelling and cooking are examples.

Other School/College Achievements

You might have been involved in other activities and achievements at school and these are valuable. For example, high attendance records, head student, prefect or school council member, sports or activities club member.

Work Experience

Get ahead of the game and boost your skills and experience by volunteering at a local company or charity and arranging work experience in your holidays.

Check out courses and MOOCs on Unifrog

Check out the Careers Extension Tasks on the Sixth Form Website



Please ensure that you accept your invitation to join the Google DM6 Futures Hub

Information relating to your future is regularly shared via DM6 Futures:

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Industry Visits
Labour Market Information (LMI)
University Events & Applications
Volunteering
Work Placements



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