



## **Bensham Manor Careers and Provider Access Opportunities for 2023-24**

| Year Group | <b>Opportunities provided within year groups</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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|            | All attendees, either online or in school, highlighted the day-day responsibilities within their role and outlined career options and opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 7          | Water Safety assembly with the RNLI – advice, volunteering and work information shared                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 8          | Water Safety assembly with the RNLI – advice, volunteering and work information shared – Autumn Term<br>Irone Ayiri DWP Community Work Coach – soft skills needed for work<br>Assembly with Fast Forward Vocational Training                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 9          | Water Safety assembly with the RNLI – advice, volunteering and work information shared – Autumn Term<br>Assembly with John Ruskin College – Spring Term<br>Assembly with Fast Forward Vocational Training – Summer Term                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 10         | Each Tutor Group attended Croydon College - one day a week for four weeks<br>MENCAP – Supported Internships – Autumn Term<br>Assembly with John Ruskin College – Spring Term<br>Coltsford Mill Fish Farm visit – Summer Term<br>Water Safety assembly with the RNLI – advice, volunteering and work information shared – Summer Term                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 11         | Each Tutor Group attended Croydon College, one day a week for four weeks.<br>Transition Meeting Monday 30th October with Catherine Atkinson - Croydon SEN Team, Jackie Wright – Transport, Judy Ardley - Healthcare Transition Clinical Nurse Specialist<br>MENCAP – Supported Internships – Autumn Term<br>Assembly with John Ruskin College – Spring Term<br>A representative of the Salvation Army came to discuss their role and what they did and talked about the opportunities that exist for working with this organisation. Video was shared with the whole school.<br>Water Safety assembly with the RNLI – advice, volunteering and work information shared – Summer Term<br>11GM Working with MENCAP on building Careers Skills. |
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**Our Headteacher works with the Local Authority on the thematic reviews of preparation for adulthood arrangements in the local area. The above opportunities are in addition to the employer/employee opportunities we organise. Refer to the separate grid to see what has been organised for Bensham Manor Students.**

**Other access opportunities are highlighted through our weekly communication to parents and through emails.**

**Example below:**

**Day 1: Essential Life Skills Workshops**

Engaging and interactive workshops covering essential life skills and independent living.  
Practical sessions aimed at equipping participants with valuable tools for their future.

**Day 2: Social Action Project Design and Delivery**

Participants will have the opportunity to design and deliver their own social action project in the local community.  
Fostering teamwork, leadership, and a sense of social responsibility.

**Day 3: Visit to a Professional Media Production Company – ECHO Studios**

An exclusive opportunity for participants to visit a professional media production company.  
Gain valuable insights into the professional working world and explore potential career paths.  
Logistics:

**Dates: February 13th - 15th**

**Time: 10:00 am to 15:30 pm**

**Ages: Year 11s and 12s (15-17 years old)**

The best part? This programme is entirely FREE of charge for participants.

We are always keen to establish links with different providers and, as mentioned on our website, encourage all providers to contact us if you think there is something you have to offer Bensham Manor Students. A provider wishing to request access should contact Kirstie Byrne, deputy Head or Barrie Murphy – Careers Programme Leader, telephone: 0208 864 0116.

**Please take a look at some of the experiences undertaken on the following pages by Bensham Students:**

We had a visit from MENCAP to talk about apprenticeships they offer.



John Ruskin also came in to share their offer with us.



Representatives from Good News came to Bensham Manor to talk about Careers and how this relates to spreading the Good News.



As part of finding out about Careers and having the opportunity to speak to an employee we were lucky enough to have Aisling Creevey talk to students about her career as a meteorologist and weather presenter.



# PSHCE

This term, pupils have been working very hard in PSHCE. Pupils in Year 7 and 8 have been learning about careers and have had the opportunity to use the National Careers Website.

Year 7 and 8 also had the chance to dress up as their chosen careers! In Year 9, pupils have been focusing on personal safety and Year 10 have been learning about STEM jobs. In year 11, pupils have been learning about human rights and child rights and have thoroughly enjoyed identifying the rights most relevant to them.



# Skills for Life Winter Fayre

As part of Bensham's Careers and Skills for Life, students in Year 8 and 9 worked as a team to put on a Winter Fayre. Year 8 made stunning Christmas cards and decorations while Year 9 made bracelets cookies & hot chocolate. A great effort from all involved, they had a very busy time!



# Year 11 Enterprises



This term Year 11s organised a popcorn sale and car wash enterprise in order to raise and donate money to those affected by the recent floods and earthquakes in Morocco and Libya. The MATW Project and the British Moroccan Society were thankful for our donations

£45 from the Popcorn Sale  
£116 from the Staff Car Wash

Well done to them!