

The Polygon School 2026 - 2027

Work Skills: LONG TERM OVERVIEW

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 10	Goals and Aspirations Destinations College vs Apprenticeships NEET's Careers Advice and Guidance	CV Writing Post 16 destination applications Careers Advice and Guidance	Forming Relationships and Understanding Others Positive and Negative Qualities Communication Skills Careers Advice and Guidance	Learning to be financially capable Budget Planning Expenditure Utility Bills Council Tax Tax and NI Debt and Debt management Careers Advice and Guidance	Interview Skills Preparing for an Interview Personal Presentaion Appropriate Vocabulary Interview Skills session Preparing Q&A's Careers Advice and Guidance	Progression Pathway exploration T-Levels V-Levels A-Levels NVQ's & BTEC Routes to University
Year 11	Developing Life Aspirations Appropriate and Innappropriate reactions Positive and Negative Emotions Employment, Education and Training Options Careers Advice and Guidance	CV Writing Post 16 destiinatio applications Careers Advice and Guidance Careers Advice and Guidance	Making Informed Career Choices Career planning and research Careers Action plan and Next Steps Lifelong learning Careers Advice and Guidance	Applying For Jobs and Courses Application forms Prepare for an Interview Shortlisting and Job application criteria Careers Advice and Guidance	Interview Skills Preparing for an Interview Personal Presentaion Appropriate Vocabulary Interview Skills session Preparing Q&A's Careers Advice and Guidance	Assessing Myself for Work Workplace success and how it is measured Work Experience placements Careers Advice and Guidance

YEAR 10 — MEDIUM-TERM OVERVIEW

Half term / Key question:	Topic	Pupil Outcomes	Resources	Cross Curricular Links Personal Development Links
Autumn 1	Goals and Aspirations Destinations College vs Apprenticeships NEET's Careers Advice and Guidance	- I can identify the positives and negatives of attending college. - I can identify the postivies and negatives of apprenticeships/work. - I can describe what an apprenticeship is. - I know what the term 'NEET' means. - I understand my options for when I leave school. - I have met with the careers advisor. - I have explored my Post 16 options.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JNy-XytidOU	Citizenship – Careers Guidance – Year 7 – Careers, KS4 Careers and Next Steps Citizenship – KS4 – Careers Goals Art – KS4 – Careers in Art Careers Advisor Meetings
Autumn 2	CV Writing Post 16 destination applications Careers Advice and Guidance	- I understand what a CV is and why it is used - I can identify my strengths and weaknesses - I can identify my skills and qualities - I understand how a CV is structured - I have written my personal profile in line with my qualities - I have created my CV with all of the relevant details - I can access and update Global Bridge	https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/writing-a-personal-statement-a-student-guide-resource-pack-t-p-1052 https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/goals-and-aspirations-lks2-my-cv-activity-sheet-t-lf-2549887 Good and Bad CV example sheets https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/how-to-write-a-cv-t-p-1309	English KS4 – Letter writing Formal Citizenship KS4 – Summer Term Strengths and Weakness and Job Identification ICT – Year 8 – Formatting in Word CV Writing

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Spring 1	Forming Relationships and Understanding Others Positive and Negative Qualities Communication Skills Careers Advice and Guidance	• I can speak respectfully and listen to others opinions • I can identify positive language choices in the workplace • I can identify positive and negative qualities in myself • I can demonstrate good communication skills • I know what to do when I have a negative working relationship at work • I know the procedures when I experience conflict in the workplace	https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/my-circle-of-control-poster-t-s-2548890	Citizenship – Careers Guidance Exploring Workplace Relationships Personal Qualities and Strengths

Spring 2	Learning to be financially capable Budget Planning Expenditure Utility Bills Council Tax Tax and NI Debt and Debt management Careers Advice and Guidance	• I can identify what tax and National Insurance are and what they are used for • I understand how my salary will be paid and the deductions • I understand which utility bills I will need to pay and why • I know why I will pay council tax and what the money is used for • I understand the difference between rent and a mortgage • I can identify what a mortgage is • I understand the dangers of debt • I can identify ways of debt management	https://content.twinkl.co.uk/resource/87/b0/t2-m-4874-working-with-budgets-differentiated-activity-sheets-ver_2.pdf?_token_=e xp=1646236665~acl=%2Fresource%2F87%2Fb0%2Ft2-m-4874-working-with-budgets-differentiated-activity-sheets-ver_2.pdf%2A~hmac=13d9f99e6ed91d3f21c9dbbdab4900e66582006a43c80206c483dbef223e7490 https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t4-m-186-interest-tax-and-mortgages-activity-sheets https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t2-m-254329-bank-statement-activity-sheet My Money Matters: p82 Payslips My Money Matters: p84 Tax and NI My Money Matters: p90 Pensions My Money Matters: p40 Budgeting	Maths – Decimals and Percentages Spring 1 Maths – KS4 – Understanding Money data Citizenship – Year 9 – Debt management and gambling Personal Budget Planning
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Summer 1	Interview Skills Preparing for an Interview Personal Presentaion Appropriate Vocabulary Interview Skills session Preparing Q&A's Careers Advice and Guidance	• I can identify appropriate personal presentation within an interview situation • I can identify appropriate body language to use in an interview situation • I can use appropriate vocabulary to answer interview questions • I can ask relevant questions in an interview • I can participate in a mock interview process • I understand the feedback I received from the interview process	https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t3-dd-67-first-impressions-count-discuss-lesson-pack https://content.twinkl.co.uk/resource/b2/07/cfe2-p-80-job-interview-activity-sheet_ver_3.pdf?_token=exp=1651070395~acl=%2Fresource%2Fb2%2F07%2Fcf2-p-80-job-interview-activity-sheet_ver_3.pdf%2A~hmac=620ac55a994c7e1999fe366c4bf41361b6cd41ac7b69fc33ac324ac1a813d89 https://ybsmoneyminds.co.uk/im-a-teacher https://www.indeed.com/career-advice/interviewing/how-to-dress-for-a-job-interview	English – Year 9 – Functional Skills Personal Presentation English – Year 10 – Application forms And letters Interview Skills Practice Interviews

Summer 2	Assessing Myself for Work Workplace success and how it is measured Work Experience placements Careers Advice and Guidance	• I can identify my own strengths and weaknesses in relation to the world of work • I understand progression routes through chosen career paths • I can identify which career pathway I would like to explore • I can identify the progression routes within this career • I have participated in a work experience interview • I have participated in a work experience placement	https://ybsmoneyminds.co.uk/im-a-teacher	PSHE – Year 10 - Aspirations and Goal Setting Citizenship – Year 9 – Strengths and weaknesses Work Experience Exploring Career Progression Routes
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Autumn 2	CV Writing Post 16 destiation applications Careers Advice and Guidance Careers Advice and Guidance	• I understand what a CV is and why it is used • I can identify my strengths and weaknesses • I can identify my skills and qualities • I understand how a CV is structured		English – Year 10 – Applications and formal letters ICT – Year 8 – Formatting in Word Updating and/or Creating a CV

		• I have written my personal profile in line with my qualities • I have created my CV with all of the relevant details		
Spring 1	Making Informed Career Choices Career planning and research Careers Action plan and Next Steps Lifelong learning Careers Advice and Guidance	• I have spoken to a Careers Advisor about my Post 16 options • I have identified a pathways for myself after school • I have applied for a Post 16 provision • I can identify the career pathways and training I require • I understand what the term “lifelong learning” means • I can identify what opportunities for progression there is within my chosen career		PSHE – Year 10 – Target Setting Citizenship Year 11 – Careers Planning sessions Post 16 Applications

Spring 2	Applying For Jobs and Courses Application forms Prepare for an Interview Shortlisting and Job application criteria Careers Advice and Guidance	• I understand the process involved in applying for a job • I understand the process involved in applying for a course in Post 16 • I have applied for a college or Post 16 destination course • I can fill out an application form and understand the format required • I understand how job applications are considered and shortlisted • I understand the term “shortlisting” in relation to job applications • I am able identify the key features an employer is looking for from a job description	https://ybsmoneyminds.co.uk/im-a-teacher	English – Year 10 – Formal letter writing PSHE – KS3 – Health and Personal Hygiene ICT – Year 8 – Formatting in Word Application forms for jobs Personal Skills and Strengths
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Summer 1	Interview Skills Preparing for an Interview Personal Presentaion Appropriate Vocabulary Interview Skills session Preparing Q&A's Careers Advice and Guidance	• I understand how to prepare for an interview either for Post 16 or in the workplace • I can identify the correct sequence of events in an interview • I can participate in a “practice” interview and respond appropriately to questions • I can identify questions to ask in an interview • I understand the importance of body language and personal presentaion	https://ybsmon.eyminds.co.uk/i m-a-teacher	Citizenship – KS3 – British Values Practice Interviews College/Employer Interviews
Summer 2	Progression Pathway exploration T-Levels V-Levels A-Levels NVQ's & BTEC Routes to University	• I have explored a variety of pathways for progression • I have looked at a variety of different courses • I understand how these courses differ and what I would be expected to do on them • I understand how choosing a course could impact on my progress to University • I understand how the University application process works	https://www.ucas.com	PSHE – Being a good Citizen – British Values Citizenship – Careers Advice – Year 10 Careers Guidance Meetings