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Catshill Middle School

Provider Access Policy

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Signature Chair of Committee

Date

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.

At Catshill Middle School, we are committed to ensuring that our pupils are offered a broad and balanced curriculum that aims to prepare them for life in modern Britain. As part of this commitment, we want all our pupils to understand the full range of opportunities that will be available to them and to develop the transferable skills that will help them succeed in a future job market.

Pupil entitlement

All pupils from year 7 onwards have a statutory entitlement:

- 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.

In addition, Catshill Middle School has extended the entitlement of a careers programme to encompass Year 5 and 6.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Danielle McCrory, Assistant Headteacher

Telephone:01527 872431; Email: dmm61@catshill-middle.worcs.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.

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 5	Whole school assembly KS2 assembly Lunchtime STEM club	Whole school assembly KS2 assembly Lunchtime STEM club	Whole school assembly KS2 assembly Lunchtime STEM club
Year 6	Whole school assembly KS2 assembly Life Skills unit 6.1 Where do I see myself? Lunchtime STEM club	Whole school assembly KS2 assembly Lunchtime STEM club	Whole school assembly KS2 assembly Lunchtime STEM club
Year 7	Whole school assembly KS3 assembly Small Business Challenge After school STEM club	Whole school assembly KS3 assembly After school STEM club	Whole school assembly KS3 assembly After school STEM club
Year 8	Whole school assembly KS3 assembly Life Skills unit 8.2: Where do I see myself? CV writing workshop Mock Interviews After school STEM club	Whole school assembly KS3 assembly Employer speed-dating event KS4 options (NBHS) After school STEM club	Whole school assembly KS3 assembly Life Skills unit 8.6: Am I ready to move on? After school STEM club

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall and classrooms 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 Mrs. D. McCrory.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at reception. The school will decide where and when it is appropriate for pupils to access this.