



### YEAR 8 FOCUS

#### Identify and Investigate

During Year 8 we encourage parents and carers to go beyond just talking with their children about the world of work and opportunities in the future. Year 8 students are starting to identify both their own skills, and also specific future pathways open to them and then investigate these in greater depth.

### Developing employability skills, qualities within the curriculum

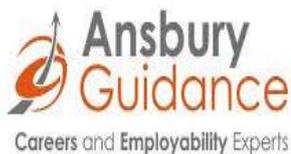
Students from Year 8 have been invited to take part in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) event, held as a part of Poole Maritime Festival 2018. During this day they will need to use all their learnt employability qualities to compete against other local schools. They have a lot to live up to as St Edward's won this event last year.



### Employability qualities

Qualities are characteristics that employers say they want to be able to recognise in those that work for them.

1. Dependable
2. Reliable
3. Hardworking
4. Independent
5. Proactive
6. Cooperation
7. Enthusiastic
8. Punctual



### Ansbury Mentoring Program

Students in Year 8 continue to benefit from the Employer Mentoring Programme connected with Ansbury Guidance. The programme has involved students being mentored by a range of business people from an array of sectors and industries. The programme allows students to experience and develop areas such as learning to budget, writing a CV, learning about Tax and National Insurance and interview techniques as well as being able to ask questions about what different areas of business are really like. Students have responded very well to the programme and we now hope to enrol further students for the next round.

### THE NATIONAL PICTURE

LinkedIn recently released its annual rankings of the 25 most sought-after companies to work for in the UK. LinkedIn analysed data from its 24 million UK members, relating to job seeker reach, engagement, job interest, and worker retention. The top 10 companies are;

1. Asos – Online retailer
2. BBC
3. McKinsey & Company – Management consulting firm
4. Richemont- Luxury goods holding company
5. Kering – Owns luxury good brands
6. JPMorgan Chase - Banking
7. Amazon – online retailer
8. EY - Accounting
9. HSBC - Banking
10. Boston Consulting Group – Management consultants



## IN THE NEWS

### 12 Jobs That Didn't Exist 10 Years Ago

Advancements in technology encourages professionals and businesses to develop further creating new job roles. These jobs are only 10 years old! The following roles illustrate the pace of change as they have all been created within the past 10 years.

**Social Media Manager**

**Cloud Computing Specialists**

**Mobile App Developers**



<https://www.careeraddict.com/12-jobs-that-didn-t-exist-10-years-ago>

## GATSBY

The Gatsby benchmarks launched in December 2017 describe all the elements of good careers guidance. They include the best practice in career guidance from around the world. We believe that these provide a strong framework for us to ensure all students access the very best careers information, advice and guidance.

For Year 8 students it is important to note that one of the benchmarks puts a specific focus on “Learning from career and labour market information”

### HOW?

In the spring term, students got some hands on experience at being entrepreneurs. During the day students worked with external visitors and worked in teams with the end goal of designing their own hotel. Students took on different roles within their teams, worked together to design every aspect of the hotel, including, theme, facilities, staffing, catering etc. Students then had to pitch their hotel design to the rest of the year group and judges who voted on an overall winning team. The day was a great success with students engaging really well and had lots of conversations about different careers that are connected to the industry.

## SUMMER IDEAS

Over the summer holiday Year 8 students should start to think about how they could link the activities they enjoy taking part in, with possible careers they could pursue.

Once students have found an interest, parents and carers can work with their child to explore the **useful websites** we have identified where students can search careers based on their interests.

## NEXT EDITION HIGHLIGHTS

Analysis of student career aspirations including key trends and how GCSE options link to careers.

## USEFUL WEBSITE

[www.icould.com](http://www.icould.com)

Video clips of real life storytellers sharing an inside view of their current job and they reveal how they got there.

[www.careersbox.co.uk](http://www.careersbox.co.uk)

These films show real people doing real jobs and are useful for giving insights into careers across all sectors.

[www.startprofile.com](http://www.startprofile.com)

Helps children to explore different careers and helps them match their skills with possible careers. Designed for parents and carers to support their children.

## Ansbury Live Chat

Access careers information, advice and guidance through a live web chat. Alternatively search career interests via [careercomp@nion](mailto:careercomp@nion).

[www.ansbury.co.uk/Schools\\_Page.html](http://www.ansbury.co.uk/Schools_Page.html)

Click on the St Edward's school logo.

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