

Bold Futures



Bold Futures is a unique programme which runs alongside students' academic studies. It provides our students with a range of skills and experiences enabling them to thrive, whether at university, undertaking an apprenticeship or taking up employment.

Bold Futures is about challenging and inspiring our students, preparing them to lead ambitious lives with confidence and energy.

Bold Futures:

- Prepares students for a successful professional life
- Prepares students to be leaders of the future
- Prepares students for wider life
- Is highly personalised and tailored
- Champions our students.

Overview of Programme

	Successful professional life	Leaders of the future	Wider Life	Personalised and tailored	Championing
By the end of year 13 you will be...	Resilient, determined, and a self-starter. Able to compete in the workplace.	A strong communicator, team player and able to take responsibility. Able to recognise the importance of giving back to society.	Open minded. Able to live independently.	Discerning and confident in the information age. Guided through the application processes.	Celebrated. Feel well supported.
We will provide...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High quality careers advice - Insights from industry experts - Interview training - University trips and visits - Internships - Work experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Volunteering opportunities - Student Leadership Opportunities – e.g. mentoring year 7s, being a Teaching Assistant - Lead the Prefect System 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Financial advice and guidance e.g. on setting up a bank account, managing finances and taxes. - Hands on shopping, cooking experiences to know how to eat on a budget. - Extensive external speakers programme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff expertise to help our students to navigate UCAS - Support with Oxbridge, Law and Medicine applications. - Support with Art Foundation and Apprenticeships 	Strong pastoral care through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tutorial programme - Personal, Social and Health Education. - Religion, Philosophy and Ethics - Small class sizes
You can benefit from	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Extended Project Qualifications - Academic Clubs and Societies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - English Speaking Board – Certificate in Speech - Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award - Paid lunch duties - First Aid Qualification - Coaching qualification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stays in Halls of Residence - Visits abroad - Participation in the National Citizenship Programme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lectures at Gresham College - Degree taster courses - Choice of sports and exercise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leading Sixth Form briefings - Presenting in Assemblies

Calendar of Events 2024–2026

Aug 24

- GCSE results day (22 Aug)
- Individual meetings about course choice at KS5 (23, 26 Aug)

Sep 24

- Start of term – deadline for transition work
- Launch of the Bolder Futures programme
- Workshops on 'dealing with change' and 'growth mindset'
- Teambuilding activities
- Sixth Form Leadership structure established

Oct 24

- Settling into Year 12 information shared with parents and carers
- Initial assessments to ensure course choices are appropriate
- Gold Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition
- Launch of the EPQ programme

Nov 24

- Workshop – Safe Driving
- External speaker from the world of Finance
- Talk the Talk – Jack Petchy careers talk

Dec 24

- External speakers from the world of Law
- Workshop – Preparing for you mock exams

Jan 25

- Volunteering in Primary schools begins
- Workshop – Healthy living and fitness
- External speaker from the world of Medicine

Feb 25

- 1-1 careers advice meetings with students
- Workshop with Sky – developing your personal brand and online presence
- Workshop on Financial budgeting

Mar 25

- Workshop on stress management and mindfulness
- External speaker from the world of government and politics

Apr 25

- Workshop Relationships and sex education (RSE) – consent
- Coaching Qualification
- External speaker from the world of sport and fitness
- Trip abroad

May 25

- Workshop – Introduction to UCAS
- Art Exhibition

Jun 25

- Workshop – Writing your personal statement
- Mock Exams
- Duke of Edinburgh Gold Expedition

Jul 25

- Work experience placements
- Practical workshops – Cooking and Travelling abroad
- Weekend in University Halls of Residence
- Celebration event



Bold Futures Calendar of Events – Year 13

Sep 25

- UCAT registration deadline
- Closing date for BMAT Oxbridge admissions exam
- Workshop 'Completing personal statements for UCAS'
- External speaker from the world of Media production

Oct 25

- Workshop 'What next - university, apprenticeships, world of work or a gap year'
- 7 Oct Internal deadline for Medicine, Dentistry & Oxbridge applications to UCAS
- External speaker from the world of university and people who have taken gap years

Nov 25

- BMAT results published
- Workshop 'Reviewing personal statements for UCAS'
- External speaker from the world of Accountancy

Dec 25

- Final submission date for all UCAS applications and references (internal)
- External speaker from the world of Forensics

Jan 26

- Mock exams
- Final submission date for all UCAS applications and references (external)
- External speaker from the world of charities

Feb 26

- Exam Access Arrangements submission deadline
- External speaker from the world of education

Mar 26

- External speaker from the world of computing

Apr 26

- Mock exams

May 26

- External speaker from the world of business consultancy

Jun 26

- Exams begin

Jul 26

- Exams continue
- Leavers Event

Aug 26

- A Level results – usually second week of August (subject to confirmation by JCQ)
- Support with university preparations