

Planning ahead

This calendar shows you key dates to look out for over the year!

Top Tip
You can print out this chart and use throughout the year

	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
ALL	Talk to your friends, parents, carers and teachers. Ask questions about your options so you know what grades you need to aim for.						National Apprenticeship Week! Every year in March.	If you're in Year 11 and above you can also think about work experience all year round.					
Year 13	You can apply for apprenticeships all year round.						Lots of apprenticeships vacancies, usually April – September.						
Year 12	Attend university open days. Apply for university – write personal statement – see www.ucas.com Oxbridge applications close mid October.			Deadline for most university courses applications mid Jan.	University offers come in and you may need to attend interviews.			A2 Exams.		IB Results Day July. BTEC Results Mid July.	A-Level Results day! 3rd Thursday in August. University clearing process for some.		
Year 11	Attend university open days and research what grades you need for different options.						AS Exams & start A2 studying.		BTEC Results! Mid July.	AS Results day! 3rd Thursday in August.			
Year 10	Register and search for apprenticeships on the National Apprenticeship Vacancy Matching Service (NAVMS) at www.apprenticeships.org.uk .						Can start an apprenticeship from 4th Friday in June.		GCSE Results Day! 4th Thursday in August. You may need to talk to your college or sixth form about your grades.				
Year 9	School, college and sixth form open days – talk to individual schools for dates.			Apply for college. Find out the deadline from individual colleges.			GCSE Exams		BTEC Results! Mid July.				
Year 8	Ask questions about your options so you know what grades you need to aim for.						GCSE Exams		Most schools offer work experience in July.	GCSE Results Day! 4th Thursday in August.			
Year 7	Think about GCSE options or talk to your school about alternatives to GCSE.			Pick your GCSE options. Your school will tell you the exact deadline.									

Key Academic Dates