

# Resources for Parents, Carers and Students

Preparation for Adulthood and Life Beyond  
School

Careers and Employability

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# Careers, Preparation for Adulthood and Life Beyond School

For many students at Stocklake Park, 'career' means something different to that of their mainstream peers.

We consider career to mean 'Preparation for Adulthood and Life Beyond School' with all the life opportunities and experiences this provides.

We place career advice for students within its fullest context: a development of life and work skills, an understanding of options within the adult world, whether for some this is a work placement, a work-based training organisation, or extended education.

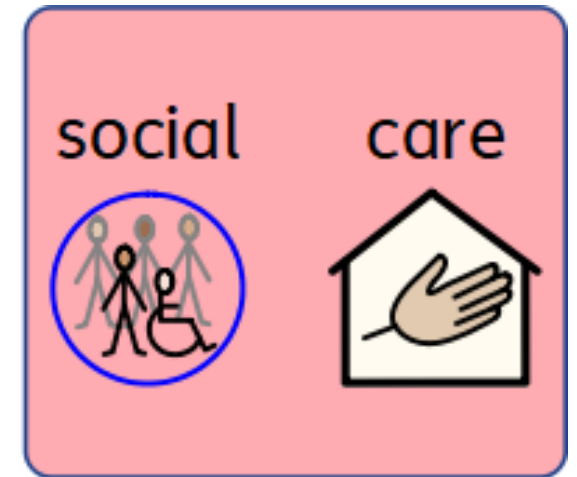
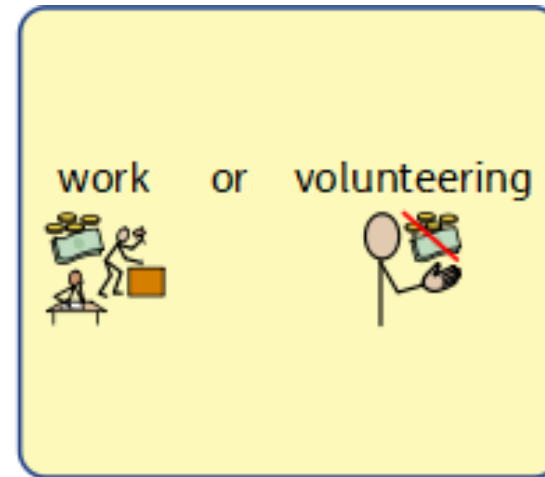
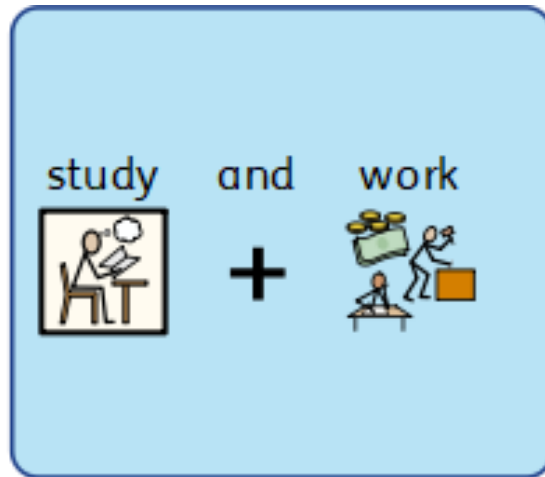
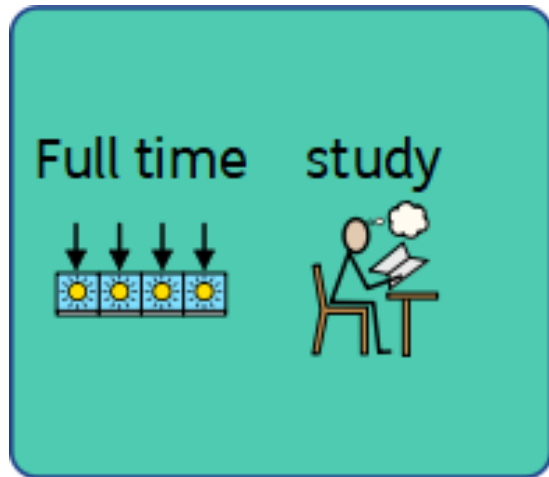
We support students and families to explore next steps after school, regardless of whether this is a job role, daily placement or residential support and care.

## Careers, Preparation for Adulthood and Life Beyond School

Careers related learning supports our students to be able to manage transitions in learning, future placements and work-related experiences and supported employment.

For students at Stocklake Park, their pathway through life should provide opportunities that give a sense of purpose and raise aspirations, it should give them the skills to use their learning in their life beyond school.

# What are the different routes after leaving School?



Click below for a useful summary of the different options from the Careers and Enterprise Company:

<https://resources.careersandenterprise.co.uk/sites/default/files/2021-04/1450-MSMF-Poster1-A3-V3.pdf>

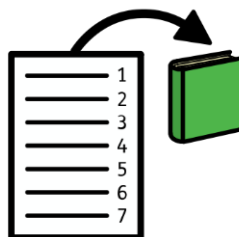
There are lots of resources to help parents have conversations with their children about future options here:

<https://www.talkingfutures.org.uk/>

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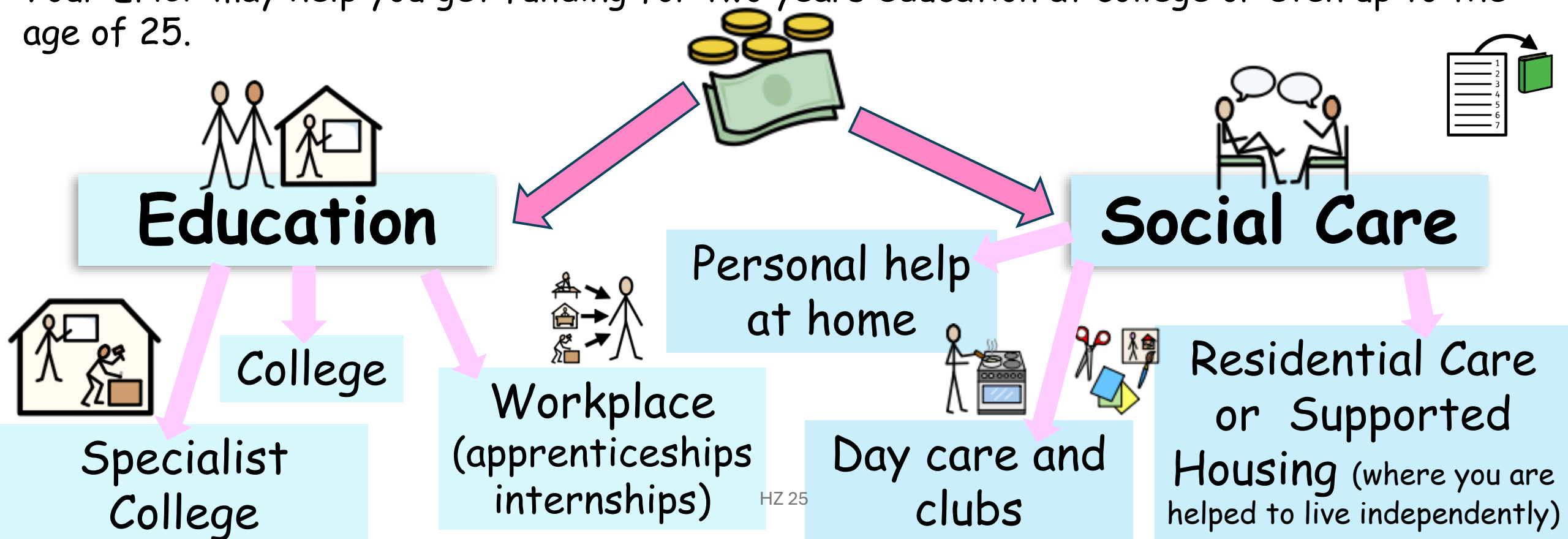
The Department for Education's Skills for Careers page also has lots of information, including explanations of all the training options:

<https://www.skillsforcareers.education.gov.uk/pages/young-people>



# What different kinds of places could I go to after School?

There are two types of funding you might use to pay for things you do after leaving school: **Education**, for learning and qualifications, and **Social Care**, which is there to support people with disabilities in their daily lives. You might be able to use both types of funding. Example: going to college three days a week and to a social care provider two days a week. Your EHCP may help you get funding for two years education at college or even up to the age of 25.



# Preparing for Adulthood Employability and Careers

- Attached is a link for parents and carers of young people with special educational needs and disabilities.
- This guide was created in partnership with FACT Bucks, Buckinghamshire Council and its partners to create an information pack for parents/carers with young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). The guide is designed to help these parents and carers in Buckinghamshire through the Preparing for Adulthood and transitions process when their young person reaches the age of 14 and above.
- Whatever your child's disability is, there is a life for them that is full of meaning and opportunity.

<https://familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/send/preparing-adulthood/transition-guide/>



# Preparing for Adulthood Transition Guide

Supported employment, volunteering and training

## Employment – adults with a learning disability

Measure 1E



The proportion of adults with a learning disability in paid employment:

4.8%

The proportion of males with a learning disability in paid employment is higher than the proportion of females.

Proportion of adults with learning disabilities in paid employment score is highest in the South East region, and the lowest in the East Midlands region.



Males:  
5.2%



Females:  
4.0%

<https://www.base-uk.org/employment-rates>

- Work plays a pivotal role in defining an individual's quality of life and is an integral part of a person's overall life experience.

<https://familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/send/preparing-adulthood/transition-guide/supported-employment-volunteering-and-training/>



# Careers and Employment Opportunities

Explore the link and slides to find out about  
some of the opportunities in Buckinghamshire!

<https://familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/send/preparing-adulthood/transition-guide/supported-employment-volunteering-and-training/>

# Supported Internship Programme

- This programme supports young people with disabilities leaving education and entering employment. The programme provides training opportunities and a range of different work placements.

Examples of the types of roles available include:

- administration
- hospitality
- catering
- portering
- animal care
- Organisation: **Buckinghamshire Adult Learning**  
Type: **Supported employment and training**  
Cost: **Free**



Contact details: If you would like to know more about the Supported Internship or would like to apply please contact:  
Christie Lavery  
Supported Employment Manager  
Stony Dean School  
01494 762538/07814 305444  
[clavery@stonydean.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:clavery@stonydean.bucks.sch.uk)

# Supported Employability Services

- Buckinghamshire Council provides dedicated supported employment services for adults with care and support needs. The support covers:
- finding training opportunities and building skills
- job searching
- interview skills
- CV writing
- finding volunteering opportunities
- in-work support
- Organisation: **Buckinghamshire Council Adult Social Care - Day Services**  
Type: **Supported employment and training**  
Cost: **Free for those entitled to a service from adult social care**
- **Supported employment eligibility**
- This service supports adults aged 18 and over with a care and support needs. **Access to this service is by referral only.**



# Central Training Group

- Skills for employment, training and personal development programmes are designed to help and prepare young people for the world of work, further education, training and how to live independently (if appropriate).
- You will learn from dedicated tutors, gain work experience in your chosen career path, learn employability skills and get your functional skills qualifications in Maths and English.
- The programme is designed to prepare you for employment and is tailored around the individual young person.
- Courses run from Entry Level 1 up to Level 2 and young people can work towards their chosen career path by adding one of the following units to their qualification:
  - Business Administration
  - Catering
  - Child Care
  - Construction
  - Health and Social Care
  - Independent Living Skills
- Organisation: **Central Business Training**  
Type: **Training**  
Cost: **Students can apply for a bursary payment to cover the costs depending on family circumstances and income.**
- Any young person aged 16 to 18 years (up to 24 with an EHCP).



Phone:

0800 783 2901

Email:

[info@centraltraininggroup.com](mailto:info@centraltraininggroup.com)

# Achieve Life Skills Programme

- This is an entry-level course designed to support young people to develop independent living skills. Participants work towards a diploma in independent living skills.

The programme modules cover:

- Employability award
- English and Maths qualifications
- money management
- independent living
- accessing and interpreting travel timetables
- healthy eating
- health and safety
- progression pathways

- Organisation: **Thomley**  
Type: **Training**  
Cost: **Free**

- **ACHIEVE Lifeskills programme eligibility**

- The service is open to anyone aged 16 to 25 who has an Education, Health and Care plan (EHC plan) and/or is in receipt of benefits.



# Adult Learning Courses

- Adult learning courses are especially popular with adults with learning disabilities, mental health needs or any other social care needs.

The courses include:

- cooking
- budgeting
- art
- drama
- managing well-being

- Organisation: **Buckinghamshire Adult Learning**  
Type: **Training**  
Cost: **Free for those who meet EFA criteria. Otherwise, the courses charge a fee.**
- **Discounts are available for individuals in receipt of benefits.**
- **Adult Learning courses eligibility**
- These courses are open to anyone aged 19 and over



Buckinghamshire Adult Learning  
Buckinghamshire Council  
Quarrendon Adult Learning Centre  
Holman Street  
Aylesbury  
HP19 9LJ  
Telephone: 01296 382403  
Email Address: [studentenquiries@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:studentenquiries@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)



# Thrift Farm

- Eligible adult social care clients are supported and guided to learn new skills and knowledge.
- The main paid employment opportunities include animal care, horticulture, crafts and catering.
- Organisation: **Thrift Farm**  
Type: **Supported employment**  
Cost: **Free for those entitled to a service from adult social care**
- **Thrift Farm eligibility**
- Adults with EHCP, eligible care and support needs.

Phone

[01908 501733](tel:01908501733)

Email

[thriftadmin@thrift-farm.co.uk](mailto:thriftadmin@thrift-farm.co.uk)



# Animal Antiks

- The Animal Antiks charity work in partnership with Haddon Training to provide further education courses.
- These consist of a range of training and teaching placements.
- The courses cover animal and equine care, employability units (levels 1 to 3) and functional skills in English and Maths.
- Work experience placements (from a day per week up to 2 full weeks) are also available.
- Organisation: **Animal Antiks**  
Type: **Training and supported employment**  
Cost: **Covered by the EHC Plan**
- **Animal Antiks eligibility**
- Suitable for young people who struggle to learn in a structured classroom environment.

**If you would like to enquire about a Post 16 Educational Placement or a Day Placement for your child, please complete an online referral form**



**ANIMAL ANTIKS**  
**THE CARING FARM**



**Email Us**

[office@animalantiks.co.uk](mailto:office@animalantiks.co.uk)

# Permanent employment opportunities

- Buckinghamshire council provide permanent employment opportunities to adults with care and support needs.
- The types of roles available include:
  - cleaning
  - administration
  - catering
  - gardening
  - Receptionist
- Organisation: **Buckinghamshire Council**  
Type: **Supported employment**
- **Eligibility for permanent employment opportunities**
- These positions are especially well suited to adults with a mild to moderate learning disabilities

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# Post 16 and Post 19 provision



- Heywood House is a day care centre offering Health, Social Care and an Educational Programme. It enriches the lives of young adults with profound and complex learning difficulties and additional needs.
- They accept young adults from any of the local authorities and specialise in young adults with profound and complex learning difficulties and additional needs.

“What we offer:”

- Client centred day care
- Fun and laughter
- Daily physiotherapy routine
- Hydrotherapy
- Person centred care plans
- Imaginative programme of individual activities
- Close liaison with parents and carers
- Continuing educational programme
- Safe and stimulating environment
- Protection to vulnerable adults
- Outstanding quality of care



- 5 day week
- 9.30am – 4pm
- 44 week year

[clare@heywoodhouse.co.uk](mailto:clare@heywoodhouse.co.uk)

[vicki@heywoodhouse.co.uk](mailto:vicki@heywoodhouse.co.uk)



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<https://www.animalantiks.co.uk/education/>

<https://www.horsewyse.org.uk/>

<https://www.thrift-farm.co.uk/adult-care/>

<https://www.oaklands.ac.uk/>

<https://orchardhill.ac.uk/>

<https://www.newmeaning.co.uk/thomley>

<https://www.nationalstar.org/>

<https://www.buckscollegegroup.ac.uk/foundation-learning/2349-pathway-to-progression>

<https://www.derwen.ac.uk/>

<https://www.macintyrecharity.org/for-children-and-young-people/post-16-education/>

<https://talkback-uk.com/>



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Step Up Aylesbury - links on Facebook

<https://stonydean.bucks.sch.uk/supported-internship/>

<https://centraltraininggroup.com/courses/aylesbury/>

[https://www.heywoodhouse.co.uk/Heywood\\_House/What\\_We\\_Offer.html](https://www.heywoodhouse.co.uk/Heywood_House/What_We_Offer.html)

<https://www.bca.ac.uk/subjects/alfie/>

<https://www.enrych.org.uk/our-services/volunteer-befriending-service/>

<https://www.sunnysideruraltrust.org.uk/>



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<https://www.sense.org.uk/our-services/education-and-work/sense-college/locations-and-contact/>

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<https://www.stelizabeths.org.uk/>

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<https://myfutureselfmatters.com/>

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<https://petiteponies.co.uk/education-%26-training>

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[joe@thomley.org.uk](mailto:joe@thomley.org.uk)

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<https://vanatrust.org.uk/>

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<https://www.wildmindwellbeing.co.uk/>

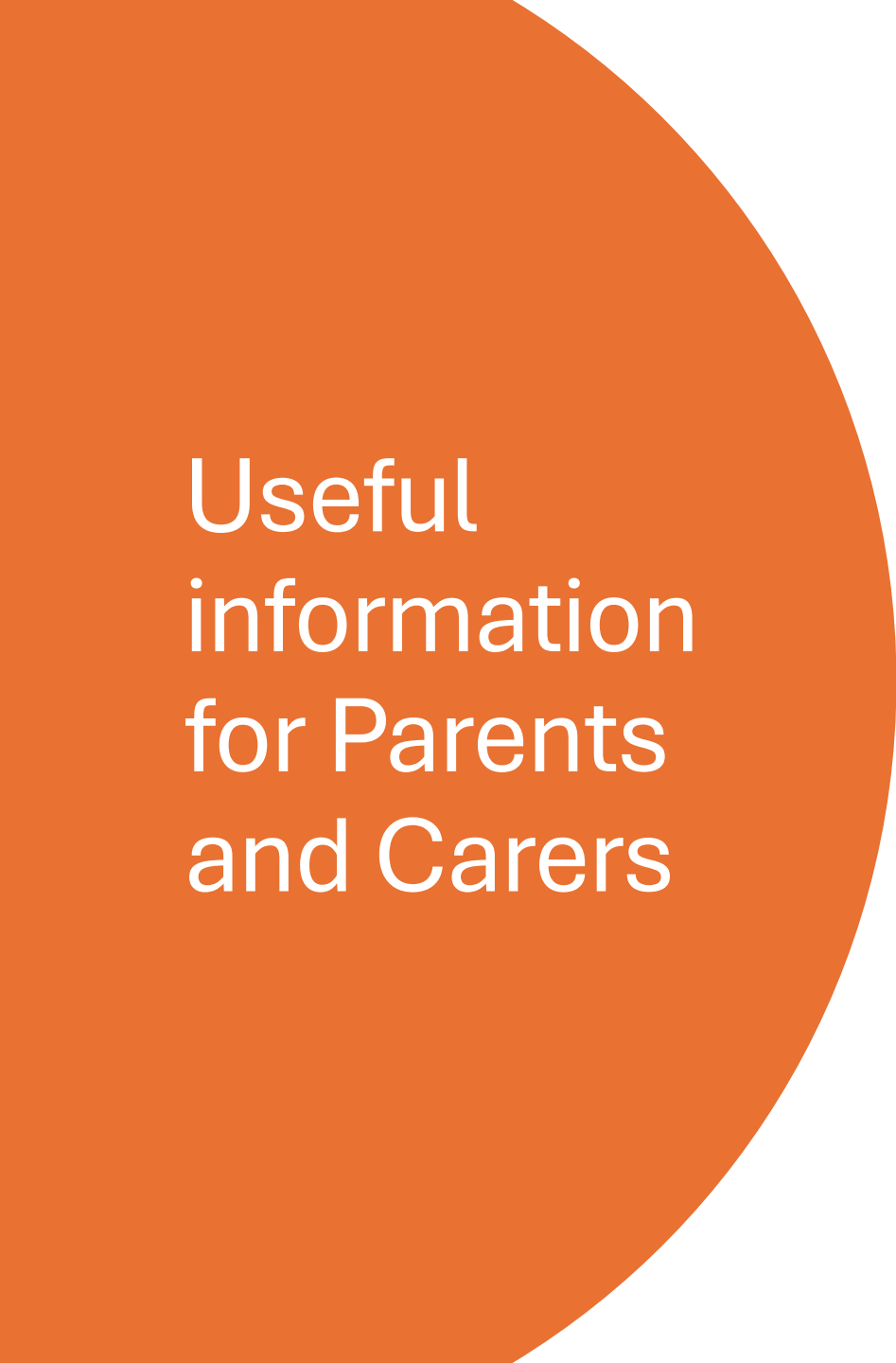
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<https://thepacecentre.org/about-pace/>



**LMI** Labour Market Information can tell you what jobs are likely to be available and how much you might earn.

<b>All about careers</b>	<a href="http://www.allaboutcareers.com">www.allaboutcareers.com</a>
<b>Bucks Skills Hub</b>	<a href="https://bucksskillshub.org/">https://bucksskillshub.org/</a>
<b>Buckinghamshire Economic Observatory</b>	<a href="https://www.buckseconomy.co.uk/jobs-and-skills/jobs-skills-research-reports/">https://www.buckseconomy.co.uk/jobs-and-skills/jobs-skills-research-reports/</a>
<b>Panjango – Virtual Tours</b>	<a href="https://panjango.com/pages/virtual-tours">https://panjango.com/pages/virtual-tours</a>
<b>Bright Knowledge</b>	<a href="http://www.brightknowledge.org">www.brightknowledge.org</a>
<b>Career Causeways by NESTA</b>	<a href="https://www.nesta.org.uk/toolkit/mapping-career-causeways-user-guide/">https://www.nesta.org.uk/toolkit/mapping-career-causeways-user-guide/</a>
<b>Buckinghamshire Council</b>	<a href="https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/community-and-safety/skills-opportunities-and-employment/">https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/community-and-safety/skills-opportunities-and-employment/</a>
<b>Career Pilot</b>	<a href="http://www.careerpilot.org.uk">www.careerpilot.org.uk</a>
<b>Building Futures</b>	<a href="https://www.buildingfuturesbucks.org.uk/">https://www.buildingfuturesbucks.org.uk/</a>
<b>icould</b>	<a href="http://www.icould.com">www.icould.com</a>
<b>LMI for All</b>	<a href="http://www.lmiforall.org.uk">www.lmiforall.org.uk</a>
<b>Nomis web</b>	<a href="http://www.nomisweb.co.uk">www.nomisweb.co.uk</a>
<b>The Centre of Youth and Education Transition Guide</b>	<a href="https://rothschild-foundation-live-uploads.s3.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/14171115/CfEY-Interim-report-summary-version-final.pdf">https://rothschild-foundation-live-uploads.s3.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/14171115/CfEY-Interim-report-summary-version-final.pdf</a>
<b>Office for National Statistics (ONS)</b>	<a href="http://www.ons.gov.uk">www.ons.gov.uk</a>
<b>Skills planner</b>	<a href="http://www.skillsplanner.net">www.skillsplanner.net</a>
<b>Youth Employment UK</b>	<a href="http://www.youthemployment.org.uk/careers-hub/">www.youthemployment.org.uk/careers-hub/</a>



# Useful information for Parents and Carers

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For families: [Family Information Service SEND](#)

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Specific information can be found here:

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[Education and SEND](#)

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[Education, health and care plans \(EHCP\)](#)

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[SEND education options and admissions](#)

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[Preparing for adulthood](#)

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[Forms, templates and service statements](#)