Stanchester Academy Careers Calendar – Autumn 2025

Date	Year Group	Event	What's involved?	Where?	How can I support as a parent?	Gatsby Benchmark
Thurs 18 th Sept	9 & 10	Intro to GCSE Evening	An evening that looks at the overview of GCSE subjects at Stanchester Academy and how you and your child can best prepare for their GCSE exams. There is also some information shared about possible pathways post-16.	Stanchester Main Hall	Come along and join our Deputy Headteacher, Mr Young, for this event.	1, 3, 4
Tues 16 th Sept	10, 11	Bridgwater and Taunton College Open Event	A chance for students and parents to visit Bridgwater and Taunton College to find out more about what's on offer.	ВТС	Find out more, here: <u>Bridgwater & Taunton</u> <u>College</u>	1, 3, 4
3 rd -10th Oct	All	Manufacturing Careers	National Manufacturing Week – take some time to look into some of the different career and pathway options available.	Curriculum	Find out more here: https://nationaltoday.com/national-manufacturing- week/	2,4,5
Thurs 9 Oct	11	Westlands Careers Fair	A whole year group trip – an opportunity to speak to professionals and learn more about possible career pathways and course choices.	Westlands	Talk to your child about why attending a careers fair is a good idea: https://student.kent.ac.uk/careers/career-planning/why-attend-a-careers-fair	2, 3, 5, 7

On going	Year 10	Work Experience Preparation	Understand the value of work experience and start to prepare for securing your work experience (WEX) placement. Start the process of securing a work experience placement by creating speculative letters, identifying skills that can be offered, identifying potential employers to contact. In school you will have your introduction to employer database registration and paperwork process. All placements to be in place by the end of the Autumn term (Christmas 2025).	Tutor time	Support your child in securing a work experience placement by looking with them at our online database: https://ssp.learnaboutwork.net/log-in-student.asp Or take a look at this: https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/a-job-or-career/work-experience-what-s-in-it-for-me	1, 3, 5,6
Sat 11 th Oct and Mon 13 th Oct	KS4	Richard Huish Open Morning and Open Evening	A chance for students and parents to visit Richard Huish College to find out more about what's on offer. Open Morning – Sat Oct 11 th 9.30-1pm Open Evening – Mon 13 th Oct 5-8pm	Richard Huish, Taunton	Find out more here: https://www.huish.ac.uk/events/category/open- event/	1, 3, 5, 7
Thurs 16th Oct 5-7.30pm	KS4	Yeovil College Open Event	A chance for students and parents to visit Yeovil College to find out more about what's on offer.	Yeovil College	Book here: https://www.yeovil.ac.uk/events/open- event/	1, 3, 5, 7

Thurs 16 th Oct 5pm	KS4	Sexey's Sixth Form	A chance for students and parents to visit Sexey's Sixth Form to find out more about what's on offer.	Sexey's, Bruton	Book here: https://www.sexeys.somerset.sch.uk/sixth- form/sixth-form-open-evening/	1,3,5,7
Tues 21 st Oct 6-7pm	KS4	British Army - Online	What parents and guardians need to know. Join us for an informative and reassuring session designed especially for parents and guardians. Discover the exciting opportunities available through British Army and gain a real understanding of what life in the Army is like for young people today. We'll explore the wide range of career paths, training, and qualifications on offer, and answer common questions about Army life.	Online	Flyer and how to register for parent event here:	1, 3, 5, 7
Thurs 23rd Oct	KS4	Gryphon Sixth Form Open Evening Strode College Open Event	A chance for students and parents to visit The Gryphon to find out more about what's on offer. Sixth form applications open on 24 th October and close on the 23rd January 2026 A chance for students and parents to visit The Gryphon to find out more about	The Gryphon Strode College	More details here: https://www.gryphon.dorset.sch.uk/sixth- form/apply/ Calendar & Term Dates > Open Evening Strode College	1, 3, 5, 7

			what's on offer.			
3rd-8th Nov	All	Green Careers	Green Careers Week - A	Curriculum	Take a look here for more information:	2,4,5
		Week	green career can be any job,			
		, , ,	role or occupation that			
			contributes to preserving or		https://greencareersweek.com/organisations-	
			restoring the environment		<u>2024/</u>	
			and our planet. It can be any			
			industry, not just those seen			
			as 'green.' Green skills are			
			abilities, attributes, values,			
			attitudes, knowledge, and			
			technical skills needed to			
			adapt services, processes			
			and procedures to support			
			climate change.			1010
WB 29 th	11	Careers	1:1 career guidance meeting	StanchesterMain	Talk to your child about their meeting – all student	1, 3, 4, 8
Sept and 13 th Oct		Guidance 1:1	with a Level 6 qualified	Hall	notes will be shared with parents to support you in doing this.	
13 Oct		Meetings	career adviser for all year 11		in doing this.	
		ricotings	students. You will discuss			
			your ideas for after Year 11			
			and start to create an action			
			plan to ensure you make			
			informed choices post 16.			
The SPACE	10,11	Performing	If you are considering a	Taunton	More information can be found here:	1, 3, 7
		Arts College,	future in the performing arts		WHAT'S ON The SPACE	
			industry, take a look at what		· ·	
		Taunton	The SPACE has to offer.			
Thurs 6th	11	Yr11 Exam	Year 11 and parents are	StanchesterMain	Come along and join our Deputy Headteacher,	1, 3, 7
Nov		Prep and	invited in to hear about how	Hall	Mr Young, for this event.	
		<u>-</u>	best to prepare for the GCSE			
		Revision	exams.			
		Evening				

TBC	11	Strode College Taster Day	Whole year group trip – a chance for students to visit the Strode College campus and experience taster sessions.	Strode College Curriculum	Take a look at the courses that Strode can offer your child: https://www.strode-college.ac.uk/courses	1, 3, 7 2,4,5
Nov	All	Engineering Careers	Engineering Week - a week focused on careers related to engineering. Take some time to look at some of the different career options available.	Curriculum		
Nov 2025	All	Creative Careers Month	Creative Careers Week - a week focused on careers related to the creative industry. Take some time to look at some of the different career and pathway options available.	Curriculum	Find out more here: https://discovercreative.careers/about/discover- creative-careers-week-2025/	2,4,5
Thurs 20 th Nov 5-7.30pm	KS4	Yeovil College Open Event	A chance for students and parents to visit Yeovil College to find out more about what's on offer.	Yeovil College	Book here: https://www.yeovil.ac.uk/events/open- event-2/	1,3,5,7
Tues 4th Dec 5-6.30pm	KS4	Yeovil College High Needs Open Event	Students with high needs and parents are invited into Yeovil College to find out what is on offer.	Yeovil College	Book here: https://www.yeovil.ac.uk/events/high-needs-send-focused-open-event/	1, 3, 5, 7
Throughout the year	All	Careers Programme	The Careers programme includes regular assemblies and fortnightly tutor time activities to prepare students for the world of work. KS3 now have a	Everywhere!	You can find a link to our careers programme on our school website.	1,2,3,4

Throughout the year	All	Work Experience for all	dedicated Personal Development lesson once a fortnight! Springpod connects you with industries to provide interactive and informative virtual work experience. Complete a set task, miniactivities, gain insights. An invaluable way of getting workplace insights to add to your CV!	Springpod online	Find out more here: https://www.springpod.com/virtual-work- experience	6
Throughout the year	All	Your Future Sorted	Dorset and Somerset Training Provider Network are proud to launch 'Your Future Sorted', a provider directory for Dorset and Somerset – providing school students, parents, teachers, and stakeholders with • Your future training and career options • Apprenticeship, T- Level, and other programmes explained • Training provider – details and who and where they are	Online	You can find a copy of these booklets here: https://dstpn.co.uk/your-future/#somerset	1,2,3,4