Spotlight on Careers



This year our school have been one of 52 schools taking part in the 'Our Future' project which aims to raise our children's aspirations and to broaden their horizons for the future.

Let's take a closer look at some of the careers activities at our school this year.

Year 4 pupils spent a day exploring and developing the skills and attributes you need to become an entrepreneur. Pupils were set challenges and worked in teams on a project to develop and promote a product aimed at children.

Year 1 and 2 pupils took part in a day with a key focus on reducing gender stereotypes. Framed in a positive and constructive way, the activities encouraged children not to rule out career options for themselves because of their gender.

All the activities involved our pupils taking part in question and answer sessions with a range of career volunteers from the world of work who visited our school to inspire our children and share an insight into the jobs they do.





What is Career-Related Learning?

Career-related learning aims to raise pupils' aspirations and provide an insight into a wide range of different careers. Research shows that children as young as five have views about the jobs people do, based on their gender, ethnicity and social background. Starting early with career-related learning brings many benefits for primary children including a better understanding of the importance of what they learn at school and how this links to their future. It also helps reduce stereotypes such as increasing children's understanding that boys and girls can do the same job.





Volunteer to be a role model and share your experiences of the world of work at our school!

We are looking for a diversity of voices so that our children can see and hear themselves in the volunteers they speak to. By sharing your career story, you can open children's eyes to a world they might never have imagined for themselves. You will be surprised what an impact sharing your story will make! Please contact our school office to volunteer to share your experience of the world of work and be a role model.

We really appreciate your engagement in our work to inspire our children to aim high.

Why not take this opportunity to talk to your child about their hopes and dreams for the future?



Helpful tips for having career chats with your child:

- Ask your child what they want to be when they are older.
- Ask what skills they think are important for this job.
- Think of jobs that link to the subjects they enjoy.
- Share your own career journey and talk about what you wanted to be as a child.
- Remind them they can be whatever they want to be!