

AIMING HIGH @ SMITHILLS SCHOOL

What do I need to do NOW to progress my Career

Year 10

- Take part in the school's work experience programme; colleges, universities and employers all look for candidates with experience of work.
- Take part in your Post 16 group work sessions to help you explore all your post 16 options; college, sixth form college, and apprenticeships.
- Think about subjects you would really like to continue with in the future or explore opportunities to study new courses.
- Complete your research using prospectuses or online links to the providers of interest to you, so you will be ready to make an application in the autumn term of Year 11.
- If you complete any exams or assessments and don't do as well as you intended there is still time to improve.
- Sign up and take part in university visits, taster days or other events that will help you develop greater understanding of specific careers or help you develop employability skills.
- Collate your certificates in your record of achievement folder.
- Take part in your college transition day in the summer term. Make sensible subject choices to sample!
- Are there any opportunities for you to do some voluntary work either at school or in the community?
- Make sure you have hobbies and interests to talk about at future interviews.
- Are you a member of any clubs or extracurricular activities?
- Get involved in any subject or enterprise challenges, Duke of Edinburgh award scheme; inter-form activities or any other opportunity available to you.