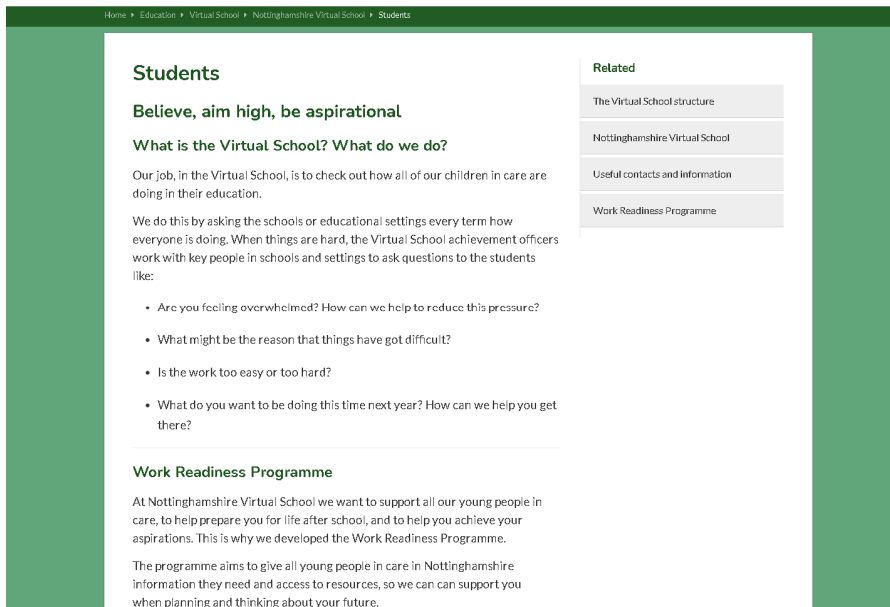


Work Readiness Programme Website Guide for Students

The Work Readiness Programme (WRP) is now available as a virtual programme hosted through Nottinghamshire Virtual School's website.

The weblinks below will take you to the webpages to give more information about the programme. The website and the programme has been designed so that you can use the resources and can complete the activities independently to support your planning for your future career, no matter your interests.

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Students

Believe, aim high, be aspirational

What is the Virtual School? What do we do?

Our job, in the Virtual School, is to check out how all of our children in care are doing in their education.

We do this by asking the schools or educational settings every term how everyone is doing. When things are hard, the Virtual School achievement officers work with key people in schools and settings to ask questions to the students like:

- Are you feeling overwhelmed? How can we help to reduce this pressure?
- What might be the reason that things have got difficult?
- Is the work too easy or too hard?
- What do you want to be doing this time next year? How can we help you get there?

Work Readiness Programme

At Nottinghamshire Virtual School we want to support all our young people in care, to help prepare you for life after school, and to help you achieve your aspirations. This is why we developed the Work Readiness Programme.

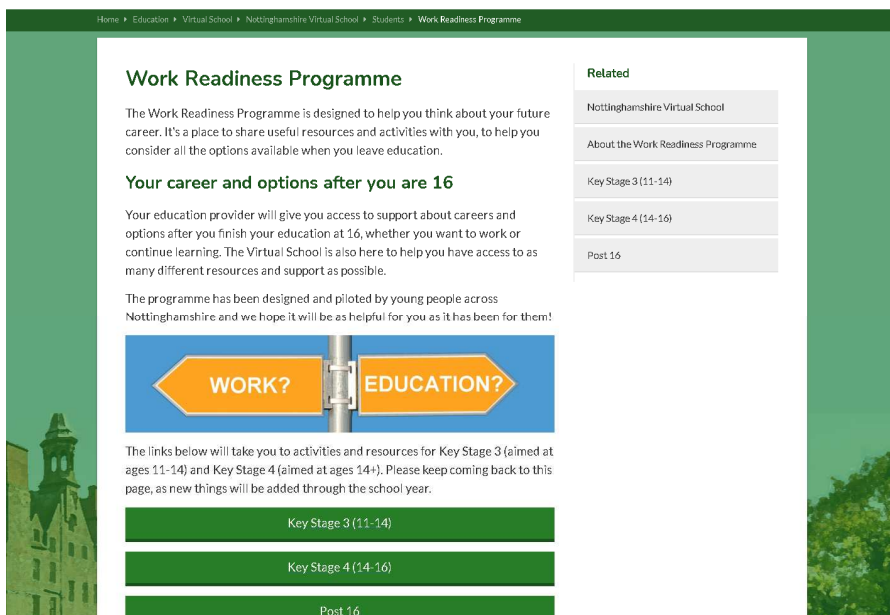
The programme aims to give all young people in care in Nottinghamshire information they need and access to resources, so we can support you when planning and thinking about your future.

Related

- The Virtual School structure
- Nottinghamshire Virtual School
- Useful contacts and information
- Work Readiness Programme

This webpage will give you more detailed information about the WRP and also links to activities for your age range.

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/virtual-school/nottinghamshire-virtual-school/students/work-readiness-programme>



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Work Readiness Programme

The Work Readiness Programme is designed to help you think about your future career. It's a place to share useful resources and activities with you, to help you consider all the options available when you leave education.

Your career and options after you are 16

Your education provider will give you access to support about careers and options after you finish your education at 16, whether you want to work or continue learning. The Virtual School is also here to help you have access to as many different resources and support as possible.

The programme has been designed and piloted by young people across Nottinghamshire and we hope it will be as helpful for you as it has been for them!



The links below will take you to activities and resources for Key Stage 3 (aimed at ages 11-14) and Key Stage 4 (aimed at ages 14+). Please keep coming back to this page, as new things will be added through the school year.

- Key Stage 3 (11-14)
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The WRP have been divided into age ranges so the activities and information build's up as you become older. The webpages are constantly being added to and updated with the most accurate information so you can keep coming back to help you plan your future career.

The webpages all link together so you can move around easily from the links on the related section

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Key Stage 3 (11-14)

The focused activities below are suitable from Year 8 through to Year 9.

Thinking about your future

Do you have a career in mind? Thinking about university? A degree apprenticeship? Or no idea? The activities below could help.

- **Skills to succeed website:** this site can help you plan your career. It offers [free, interactive training](#).
- **Watch the video below,** from employability coach Vicky Emery, from [Futures for You](#). Usually given on day 3 of the Work Readiness Programme, the video includes useful info about researching your options, which careers are in high demand, and the options available:



Work Readiness Programme Day 3
Why do we go to Work?

- Money
- Training
- Social life
- Career

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS
Job satisfaction
TEAM
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Do you have a career in mind? Thinking about university? A degree apprenticeship? Or no idea? The activities below could help.

- **Routes to Higher Education:** find out more about higher education and how you can get there, including info on how to apply and student finance. Whether you are thinking about university, college, or perhaps a higher or degree apprenticeship, [this Future Focus digital booklet \(PDF\) could help!](#)
- **Skills to succeed website:** this site can help you plan your career. It offers [free, interactive training](#).
- **Inspire Learning Study Programmes:** for young people aged 16-24 in Nottinghamshire, Inspire have bases in Hucknall, Mansfield, Sutton, Arnold, Newark, Stapleford, Eastwood, Worksop and Retford. They could help you gain new qualifications, including those listed below. You can find out more by [watching these short videos](#).
 - Catering
 - Construction
 - Hospitality
 - Health and social care
 - IT
 - Carpentry and joinery
 - Painting and decorating

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Post 16

Once you finish school, after you are 16, you'll have different options available to you. You can:

- stay in full-time education, for example at a college
- start an [apprenticeship](#) or [traineeship](#)
- spend 20 hours or more a week working or volunteering, while in part-time education or training

You need to do one of the above until you're 18.

Your guide to Post 16 education, employment and training:

- General advice and tips
- Career ideas, training and entry requirements
- Bursaries and additional funding
- Part time jobs
- Transport
- Voluntary work

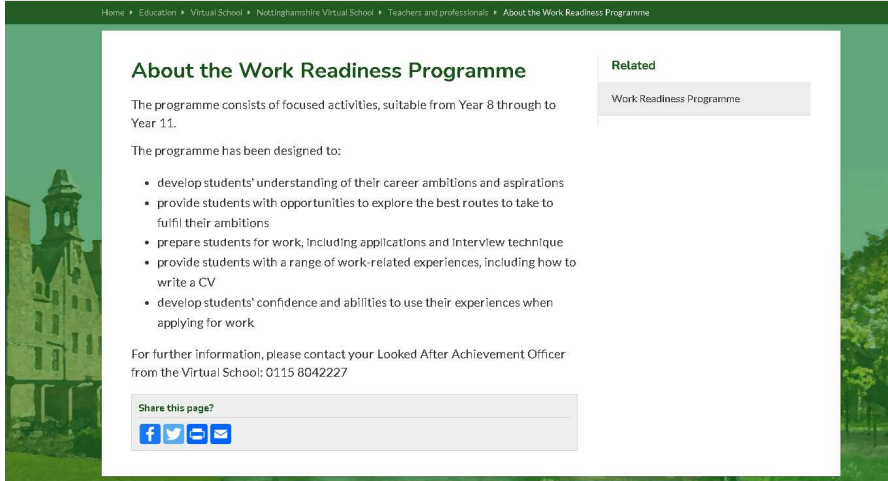
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Work Readiness Programme Website

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About the Work Readiness Programme

The programme consists of focused activities, suitable from Year 8 through to Year 11.

The programme has been designed to:

- develop students' understanding of their career ambitions and aspirations
- provide students with opportunities to explore the best routes to take to fulfil their ambitions
- prepare students for work, including applications and Interview technique
- provide students with a range of work-related experiences, including how to write a CV
- develop students' confidence and abilities to use their experiences when applying for work

For further information, please contact your Looked After Achievement Officer from the Virtual School: 0115 8042227

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