

ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC BOYS' SCHOOL

**GOVERNORS' POLICY STATEMENT**



# Provider Access Policy

Head Teacher: Mr N Fisher

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Chair of Governors: Mrs J Johnson

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Review Date (Yearly)	Summer 2021

## **VISION STATEMENT**

*Our school is an inclusive place of learning that celebrates and welcomes diversity. Every member of our community is a unique and special creation of God and is known, cared for and valued for the contribution they make. Every student is challenged and supported to achieve his best.*

## **St Columba's Catholic Boy's School: Provider Access Policy**

### **Introduction**

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the school for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

### **Student entitlement**

All students in Years 8-11 are entitled:

- to find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships opportunities, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point;
- to hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

### **Management of provider access requests**

#### **Procedure**

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

Michael Barry | Careers Leader  
Telephone: 01322 553236  
Email: mby@st-columbas.bexley.sch.uk

## Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
<b>Year 8</b>	Life Skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities	Life Skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities	Life Skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities
<b>Year 9</b>	Life Skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities	Year 9 Parents’ Evening	Life Skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities
<b>Year 10</b>	Post-16 evening information evening Employers Fair / Speed mentoring	Year 10 Parents’ Evening Careers Week	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities
<b>Year 11</b>	Post-16 evening information evening Post-16 Visits	Year 11 Parents’ Evening Post-16 taster sessions	

Please speak to our Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

## Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or a member of their team. Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Resource Centre, which is managed by the school librarian. The Resource Centre is available to all students before school, break time, lunch time and after school.