Supporting Your Child's Career Journey

As a parent, you play an important role in helping your child navigate their future. Here are some ways you can support them through key transition points:

1. Stay Informed about Pathways and Options

- Attend transition meetings and school events to learn about the different options available for your child, including education, employment, and social care pathways.
- **Explore together:** Download the transition booklets:
 - Beyond Baskerville (Post Year 11)
 - o Beyond Baskerville (Post 19)
 - Beyond Sherwood (Post 19)

2. Encourage Independence Skills

- Help your child develop key independence skills, such as managing their time, learning to travel independently, and handling daily tasks.
- You can start by involving them in decision-making processes and small responsibilities at home.

3. Foster Communication Skills

- Work with your child on communication skills, whether it's through practicing social interactions or using communication aids.
- These skills are essential for interviews, future employment, or day-to-day interactions.

4. Understand the Support Available

- Ensure your child's Education, Health, and Care Plan (EHCP) reflects their current needs and ambitions.
- Keep in touch with their teachers, careers advisors, and transition team to understand the support options available at each stage of their journey.

5. Help Set Realistic Goals

- Support your child in setting achievable, meaningful goals for their future, whether it's entering further education, supported employment, or independent living.
- Regularly review these goals together and celebrate progress.

6. Connect with External Services

- Learn about external services that can provide additional support, including job coaches, local colleges, or supported living options.
- Link to external services coming soon
- Work with your child's transition team to ensure a smooth move from school to their next step.

7. Engage in Work Experience Opportunities

- Encourage your child to participate in work experience, even if it's just a short placement, to help them gain skills and confidence.
- Explore any work experience opportunities the school provides and discuss with your child what might interest them.

Resources for Parents

- <u>Download Provider Access Policy</u>
- Baskerville School Careers Provision Overview