

September 2026

Careers Guidance Support & Careers Fair (KS4)

Dear Parent/ Carer,

As part of our ongoing offer with Careers Education & Guidance, we would like to introduce ourselves as the careers team within Moorside High School:

- Miss Aitken – Assistant Principal, leading on Personal Development (including Careers)
- Mr Farmer – School Careers Adviser, based in Moorside High School on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays
- Miss Farooq – Business & Employer Engagement Officer, based in Moorside High School on Wednesdays and Thursdays

To support students in Year 11 and Year 10 with researching careers and Post-16 options, we would like to invite students and parents & carers of these year groups to our **Careers Fair taking place on Wednesday 14th October 2026, 5.00-7.00pm, held at Moorside High School in the Sports Hall (with a quieter SEND slot 4.00-5.00pm).**

We have invited a range of providers from the Post-16 community including further education colleges, sixth forms, universities, employers and apprenticeship providers. We hope this will be a fantastic opportunity for students and parents to do further research on the opportunities available after Moorside High School. We hope to see you there!

Careers Guidance Meetings

Mr Farmer and Miss Farooq provide impartial careers information, advice and guidance to each Year 11 pupil to help them to explore their options after finishing school in summer 2027. All Year 11 pupils will be offered a 1:1 careers guidance meeting this year and offered support with applications to college, apprenticeships or training. Meetings will start in mid-September and careers advisers will be available throughout the academic year. Students in Year 10 will be able to request careers guidance meetings in the summer term, in preparation for Year 11.

College open events 2026-2027

Most colleges will hold open events throughout the academic year for Year 11 students and their parents & carers to see the facilities, meet the staff and research courses available. Events start this term - a list will be emailed to Year 11 parents and will be posted on the school website. We will ensure all Year 11 students are offered a printed copy of these open events. *College open events are aimed primarily at Year 11 students however Year 10 students are usually welcome to attend too – please check college websites for details!*

Should parents & carers require any further support from the careers team during the year, please do contact us at school on 0161 804 4022 or email mhsinfo@consilium-at.com

Kind regards,

Miss K Aitken
Assistant Principal

Mr S Farmer
Careers Adviser

Miss H Farooq
Business & Employer Engagement Officer



College & Sixth Form Open Events 2026-2027



Please always check college websites before events for booking details or changes.

Family & Friends are welcome to attend!

SALFORD CITY COLLEGE (5 CENTRES ACROSS SALFORD)

Please book via college website

Pendleton Sixth Form College

Saturday 19th September 2026, 10.00am – 12.00pm
Tuesday 22nd October 2026, 5.00pm – 7.00pm

City Skills Centre

Monday 5th October 2026, 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Saturday 14th November 2026, 10.00am – 12.00pm

Eccles Sixth Form College

Wednesday 30th September 2026, 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Thursday 12th November 2026, 5.00pm – 7.00pm

Worsley College

Tuesday 6th October 2026, 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Tuesday 10th November 2026, 5.00pm – 7.00pm

Future Skills @ MediaCityUK

Wednesday 7th October 2026, 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Saturday 7th November 2026, 10.00am – 12.00pm

Loreto College

Sat 10th October 2026 - 10am - 12pm OR 1pm - 3pm
Sun 18th October 2026 - 10am - 12pm OR 1pm - 3pm

Please book via website

Xaverian College

Sat 10th October 2026 - 10:30am – 2:00pm
Sun 18th October 2026 - 10:30am – 2:00pm

Please book via website

The Sixth Form Bolton

Sat 10th October 2026 – 10.00am – 1.30pm
Sat 21st November 2026 – 10.00am – 1.30pm

Please book via website

Winstanley College

Sat 3rd October 2026 – 9.30am - 12.30pm
Wed 21st October 2026 – 5.00pm - 8.00pm
Thu 12th November 2026 – 5.00pm - 8.00pm
Wed 13th January 2027 – 5.00pm – 8.00pm

Please book via website

Urmston Grammar Sixth Form

Wed 11th November 2026* – 6.00pm – 8.30pm
****Provisional – Please check & book via website***

Trafford College

Sat 10th October 2026 - 10.00am-2.00pm
Please book via college website.

UTC – Media City UK

Thu 22nd October 2026 – 5.00pm – 7.30pm
Please book via college website.

Access Creative College (Manchester)

Sat 17th October 2026 – 11.00am – 2.00pm
Sat 28th November 2026 – 11.00am – 2.00pm
Sat 23rd January 2027 – 11.00am – 2.00pm

Please book via college website

Bolton College

Wed 14th October 2026 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Tue 17th November 2026 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Mon 11th January 2027 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Mon 8th February 2027 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Thu 11th March 2027 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Tue 11th May 2027 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm

Please book via college website

The Manchester College

Tue 6th October 2026 – 5.00pm - 7.00pm
Sat 14th November 2026 – 10.00am - 1.00pm
Thu 5th March 2027 – 5.00pm - 7.00pm

Please book via college website

ADA Manchester (National College for Digital Skills)

Thu 1st October 2026 – 5.00pm-7.30pm
Tue 17th November 2026 – 5.00pm-7.00pm

Please book via college website

The Growth Company GM Skills Centre, Trafford

(Pre-Apprenticeships in Construction trades & Automotive)

Thu 22nd October 2026 - 4pm - 6pm
Thu 10th December 2026 - 4pm - 6pm
Thu 28th January 2027 - 4pm - 6pm
Thu 11 March 2027 - 4pm - 6pm
Thu 29 April 2027 - 4pm - 6pm
Thu 10th June 2027 - 4pm - 6pm

No booking required!

Y11s: Information for College & Sixth Form open events

Open Events are really important to attend if you are thinking of doing further studies after your GCSEs. It is your chance to RESEARCH different places and courses and find out what options are best for **YOU**.

Even if you are not thinking of this pathway (for example if you want to do an apprenticeship instead) it is still important to consider researching colleges or sixth form as a backup plan; so still try and visit a few places!

- Before you attend an open event, it is a good idea to do some research first – check on the college or sixth form website to see if they offer the courses you are interested in – this can also help explore different options if you are not sure what courses you want to do yet
- You can attend as many open events as you like – in fact, it is a good idea to attend at least 2 or 3 different places so you can make a fair comparison
- You are welcome to bring along family members and friends (*just double check college websites in case you need to register for tickets!*)
- Make sure you ask lots of questions – for example you might have questions about different courses, about the **entry requirements** (what GCSE grades you might need) or questions on careers or university. **Don't be afraid to ask the colleges if you have any questions or worries – they will be happy to help! ☺**
- There is no commitment to apply to a college or sixth form at an open event, though you may be able to do this on the day if you wish (college application deadlines are typically around Christmas time and you can request support with this in school)

Careers Advice & Guidance

All Year 11 pupils will be offered a **Careers Guidance Meeting** with Mr Farmer or Miss Farooq (the school careers advisers) from September 2026 onwards to discuss future plans after school.

Mr Farmer is available in Moorside High Monday, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and is based in the Careers Office

(2nd floor, Next to B202 Music room – near Humanities!)



To request a meeting, students can ask Mr Farmer or Miss Farooq in school or ask your form teacher to request this for you. You can also request a meeting through Mrs Chrimes, Head of Year 11.

Year 11 Parents & Carers are also welcome to contact Mr Farmer for any help or support – Mr Farmer can be contacted at school via phone (0161 804 4022) or by email – simon.farmer@consilium-at.com.