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# Post 16 Pathway Evening

## Planning Your Future

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023



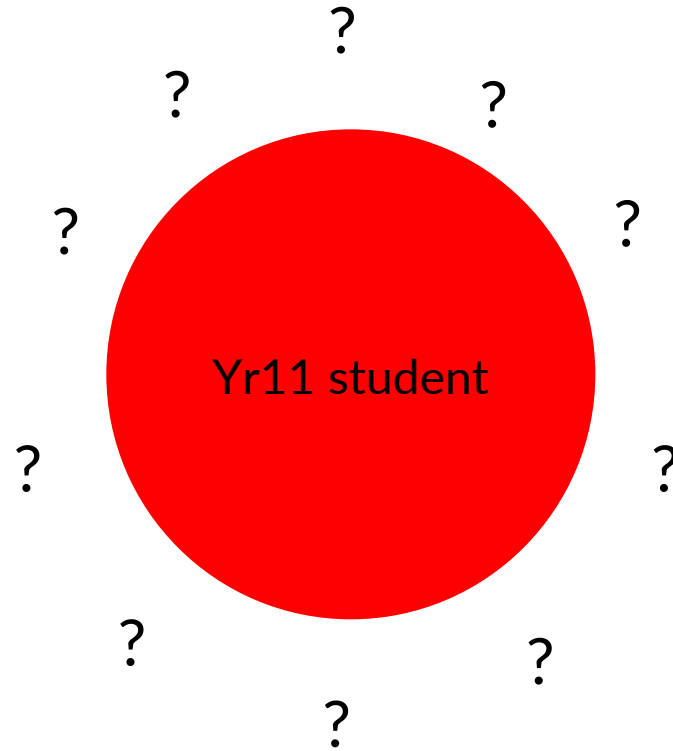
# Welcome Year 11

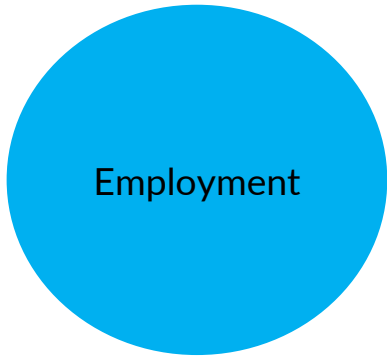


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“Most Yr11 students are unsure what they will do next year in their post 16 pathway. Most students have more questions than answers in this stage of their planning.”



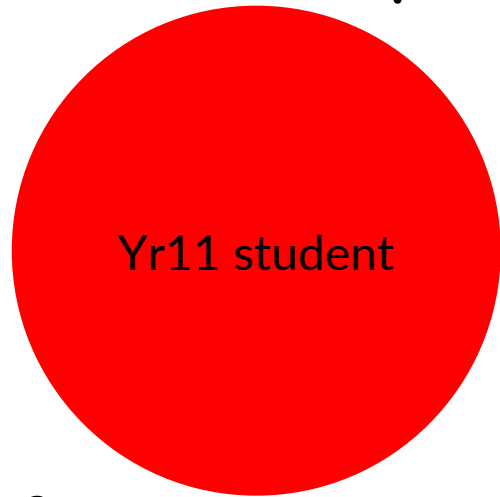


Employment

“Some possible pathways to consider. What questions do you wanted answered?”



Continue in education (school)



Yr11 student

How much will I earn?  
When will I earn more?  
Will my job change in 5 years?  
What training will I receive?

What grades do I need?  
What will I learn?  
How will I be assessed?  
What do students go on to do in the future?  
What do current students say?



Work based training apprenticeship



Continue in education (college)

Which pathways are available?

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# Which pathway has the support for me?

“Mrs. Lloyd-Phillips, Head of Yr12/13, is someone you can speak to about the support available for Sixth Form students”

Head of Yr12/13  
Well Being in  
school – Mrs. Leri  
Lloyd-Phillips

# Pathway support for me?

“Form Tutors are dedicated and specialist Sixth Form progress tutors who see the students every day and track their well-being and academic progress.”

Progress Tutors

“Students have access to the learner coach in the library. Some students have timetabled one-2-one sessions when we identify the need for help.”

Learner Coach

“Students have full access to the careers service, used to plan their pathways for leaving school.”

Careers Advisor

“The pastoral team offers the full range of support services with continued access to counselling, youth services and pastoral expertise.”

Pastoral team

Sixth Form (school)

“It’s really important to talk with current students while planning your future pathway.”

Student Voice

“Students gain automatic access to the academy if they achieve 6A\*s. The super-curricular program is extensive.”

Seren Academy

“One of many students you can talk to about planning your pathway and experiences of Sixth Form at Ysgol Dyffryn Taf.”

## Millie James

**GCSEs:** 10A\* & 1A

### **A Levels:**

Biology, Chemistry, Maths and the Welsh Baccalaureate

### **Future Career Path:**

Medicine/Dentistry/  
Veterinary

**Year 11** - Summer School in Aberystwyth Veterinary School (Seren)

Dofe Bronze/Silver

## Year 12 - Member of SEREN

- Get into Medicine UCAS Conference
- Get into Dentistry UCAS Conference
- Seren Welcome Meeting with guest speakers from Oxford University and Exeter University
- The Weekly Surgery - PREMED Project
- Bath University Talk - Making the Most of Sixth Form and Competitive Universities (Seren)
- UCAS - Routes into Medicine
- Online work experience in Medicine and Dentistry through Medic Mentor
- Work Experience in COTTS Veterinary Centre
- Signed up for 4 Masterclasses (Seren)
- DofE - Gold

Student  
Voice

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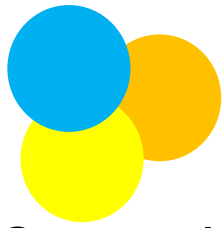
“Sixth Form at Ysgol Dyffryn Taf could have all the answers to your questions.”



Sixth Form







# Apprenticeship IT Support Engineer

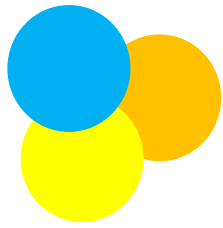
Employer	SA1 Solutions Ltd
Location	Swansea
Apprenticeship Level	Apprenticeship (Level 3)
Pay	Apprenticeship rates
Hours	31-40 hours per week
Closing date	17/11/2023

“Your career adviser in school can help you research and apply for apprenticeship. Look carefully at the requirements and be ready to apply.”

## Requirements

## Qualifications

Eg GCSE (or equivalent) in Maths and English at Grade A\*-C / Level 2 preferred  
Full UK Driving Licence




Careers Adviser  
*Mrs. Angharad Williams*  
*(Careers Wales)*

“Be prepared to travel for apprenticeships, some are more local.”

## Apprentice Butcher

Employer	Albert Rees Ltd
Location	Carmarthen
Apprenticeship Level	Foundation Apprenticeship (Level 2)
Pay	Apprenticeship rates
Hours	16-30 hours per week
Closing date	30/11/2023
Positions available	1
Vacancy ID	4957

Apply now 

(This link will take you to an external site)

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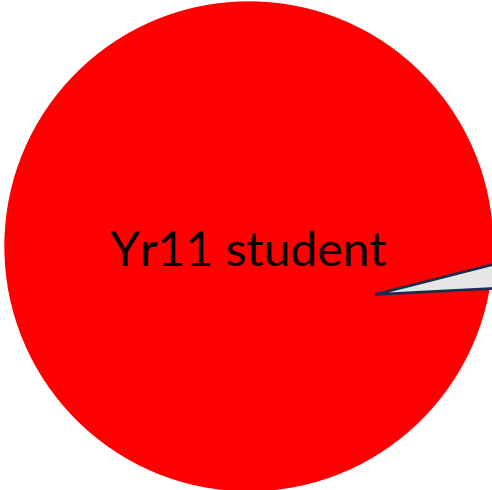
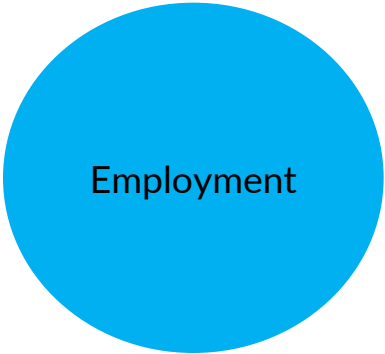
1. About the apprenticeship
2. Requirements
3. Training provided
4. Disability confident
5. Employer details
6. Interview arrangements
7. How to apply

## About the apprenticeship



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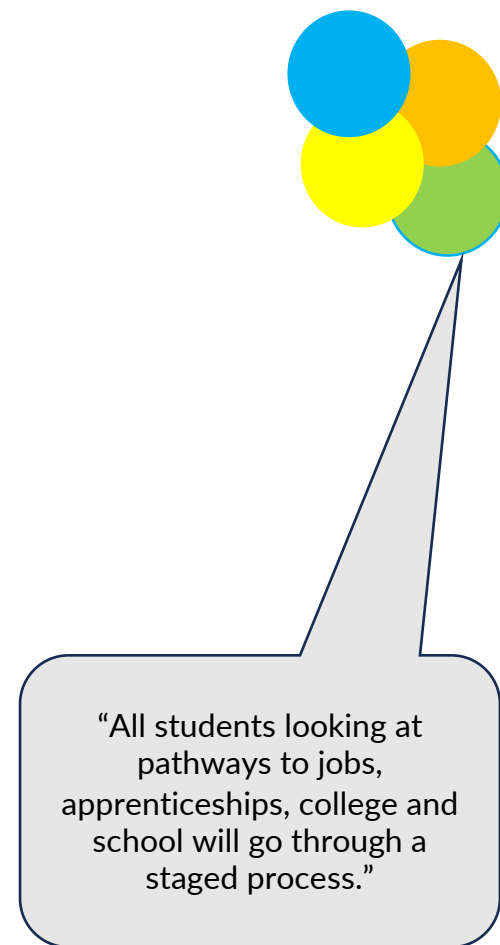
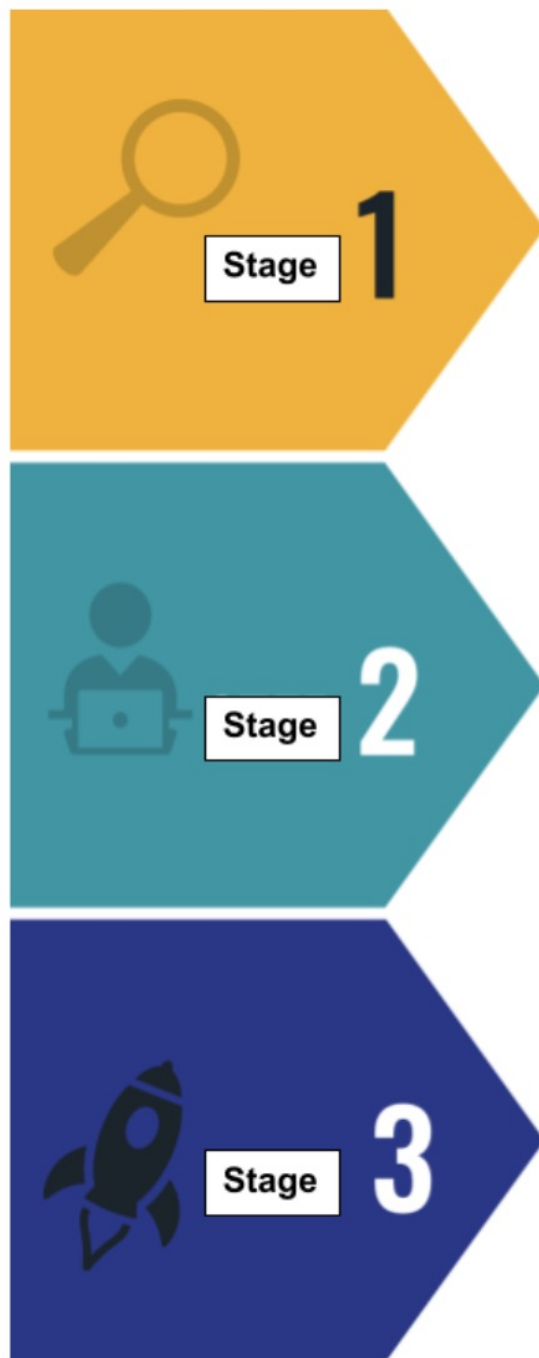
“Finding answers to your questions will help you decide which pathway is best for you.”

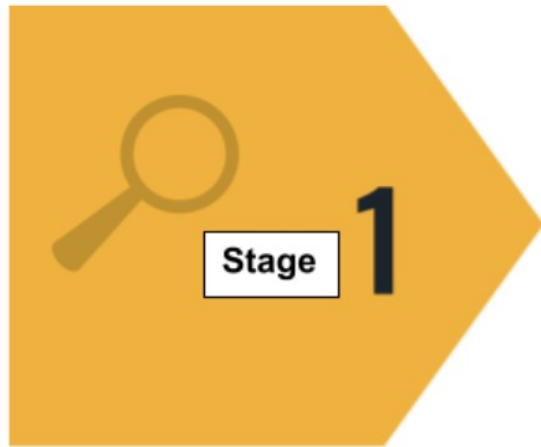


Which pathway is best for me?



The ***Post 16 Pathway Process*** runs over three broad stages:





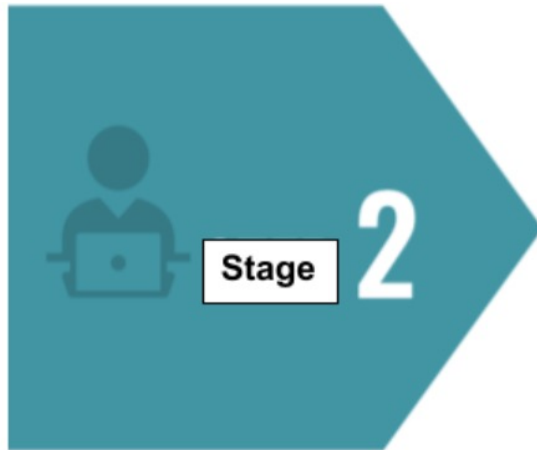
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Yr11 Parent/Carer Evening

### An introduction to the Post 16 Pathway Process

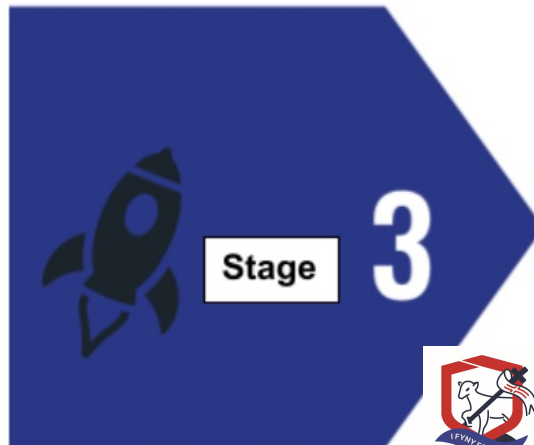
Website research  
Meeting employers  
PSE lessons  
Form Tutor talks  
Careers interviews

“This is where you are now on the process and what’s ahead.”



## Stage 2 – Applications (December - May)

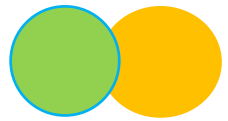
Online application forms (Education, training and employment)  
Interviews  
Conditional offers



## Stage 3 – Securing grades for Post 16 progression (Now – August 24<sup>th</sup>)

Continued support from Subject Teachers, Form Tutors, Head of Year 11, Senior Teachers, and Support Staff.

# Stage 1 research: Looking for Successful Progression



"Two years in Sixth Form can often make you ready for apprenticeships which have highly competitive application processes."

"We have a partnership with Hywel Dda and have successfully secured apprenticeships with these providers."



Cardiff Metropolitan University, **Sport Conditioning**, Rehabilitation and Massage

University of Oxford, **Human Sciences**

University of Birmingham, **Medicine**

**Art Foundation** Trinity Carmarthen

Harper Adams University, **Veterinary Physiotherapy** (with Placement) 2023

University of Plymouth, **Marine Biology**

USA university

University of Manchester, **Aerospace Engineering** with Industrial Experience

Aberystwyth University, **Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence**

Cardiff University, **Politics**

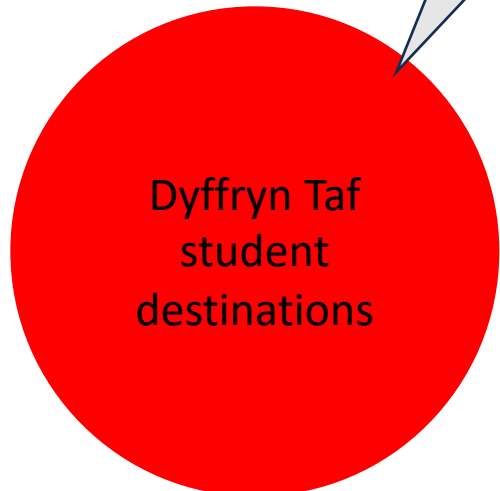
University of Liverpool, **Law**

Royal Holloway, University of London, **Biology**

Cardiff University, **Nursing** (Adult)

Cardiff University, **Computer Science**

“Sixth Form provides the support you need to secure university places.”



# SEREN Academy

(6A\* grades or more guarantees entry)

Mrs. Bethan Jones-Hughes - Regional Seren Lead  
Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire

“The Seren Academy supports both guaranteed students and those identified by school with an exceptional aptitude in a subject or skill. It helps students aim for the highest. These are some of the super-curricular partnerships we have with university are industry.”





# Stage 1 research: Progression Courses

AS/A levels (Level 3)		Vocational/BTEC (Level 3)
<input type="checkbox"/> Art and Design <input type="checkbox"/> Photography <input type="checkbox"/> Biology <input type="checkbox"/> Business Studies ( <i>E-sgol</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Computing <input type="checkbox"/> Design Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Drama and Theatre Studies <input type="checkbox"/> English Literature <input type="checkbox"/> French <input type="checkbox"/> Geography <input type="checkbox"/> Health and Social Care <input type="checkbox"/> History	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Further Maths</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Music <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Education <input type="checkbox"/> Physics <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Sociology ( <i>E-sgol</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Welsh Second Language	<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality L3 <input type="checkbox"/> Sport L3 <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Science L3 <input type="checkbox"/> Music Performance

“Research the wide variety of subjects. All these offer you potential routes to any university course. You don’t need to study A level law or psychology to access the university course. Do your research by visiting: [UCAS course search.](#)”

## Course Entry Requirements

- Requirements for level 3 courses
- Requirements for University, College, Apprenticeships, Employment



# About E-sgol?

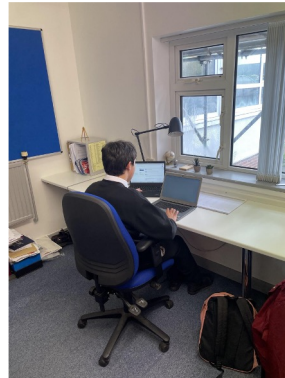
**E-sgol** is a project funded by Welsh Government to assist schools' sixth form provision primarily in **rural areas** and their Welsh medium provision.

The core principle of e-sgol is to ensure that learners, regardless of location, receive the opportunities to study subjects that may not be available for them to study in their own schools.



## **E-sgol** at Ysgol Dyffryn Taf

**Business Studies**  
**Sociology**



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DYSGU I BAWB.

EXPANDING LEARNING  
OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL.



# Creating a Post 16 Pathway

Portfolio of GCSE grades (yr11)

“When designing your pathway consider what’s best for your.”

5 GCSEs A\*-C

A portfolio of GCSEs

## Pathway A

Choose 3 level 3 AS/A level subjects from option pools.

## Pathway C

A mixture of courses at the appropriate level (L2 and L3).

## Pathway B

Choose BTEC’s from the option pools.

**Welsh Baccalaureate (universal adoption)**

Skills Challenge Certificate

**Progression to:**

Higher Education at University, Further Education at College, Employment and Apprenticeships



“Stage 1 research will provide answers to your questions.”



**Level 3 AS/A2 Geography**

## What will I learn?

We follow the WJEC A Level Specification. The WJEC GCE AS and A level in Geography encourage learners to apply geographical knowledge, theory and skills to the world around them. In turn this will enable learners to develop a critical understanding of the world's people, places and environments in

## What could I go on to do at the end of my course? (Progression)

Important for further study and careers: the Russell Group of Universities, along with the Universities Minister, recognise A Level Geography as one of the key 'facilitating' subjects for entry to degree level study.

**Entry Requirements: Minimum C grade in GCSE Geography**

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# Stage 2: Applications



## Dyffryn Taf School Sixth Form 2023 Application Form

Significant details sections 1-5.

[f.org](#) [Switch accounts](#)



“The application stage open around **December**.

This is when you will fill in **forms for all pathways**. They require some personal details and education. Predicted grades matter so make your mock exams count. The application form will have subject blocks allowing you to make decision.”


Email \*

Your email address

Surname \*

# Stage 2: Applications

Choices

*DRAFT* Dyffryn Taf School subject choices 2023 

A	B	C	D	E
<i>BTEC Sport (blocks A and B)</i>		A level Health and Social Care	<i>Level 3 Diploma Medical Science</i>	<i>BTEC Hospitality</i>
A level Biology	A level PE	A level Physics	A level Chemistry	A level Art
A level French	A level Computing	A level Geography	A level English	A level Photography
A level Music	A level History	A level Drama	A level DT	A level Maths
BTEC Music	A level Welsh (2 <sup>nd</sup> )			A level Maths + A level Further Maths
				A level RE
<i>L2 Maths, L2 English (re-sit)</i>				
Core 16-19/WBQ	Core 16-19/WBQ	Core 16-19/WBQ	Core 16-19/WBQ	Core 16-19/WBQ

“These were the **blocks last year**. Your information helps us develop the blocks with the best fit.”

Block A subject \*

- BTEC Sport (select BTEC Sport in block B as well)
- A level Biology
- A level French
- A level Music

# Our Challenge we can, Gallwn

- Provide you with information and answer your questions.
- Support you in your preparation for GCSEs.
- Develop the pathway options to meet your learning needs.
- Move you on towards higher education and career destinations.

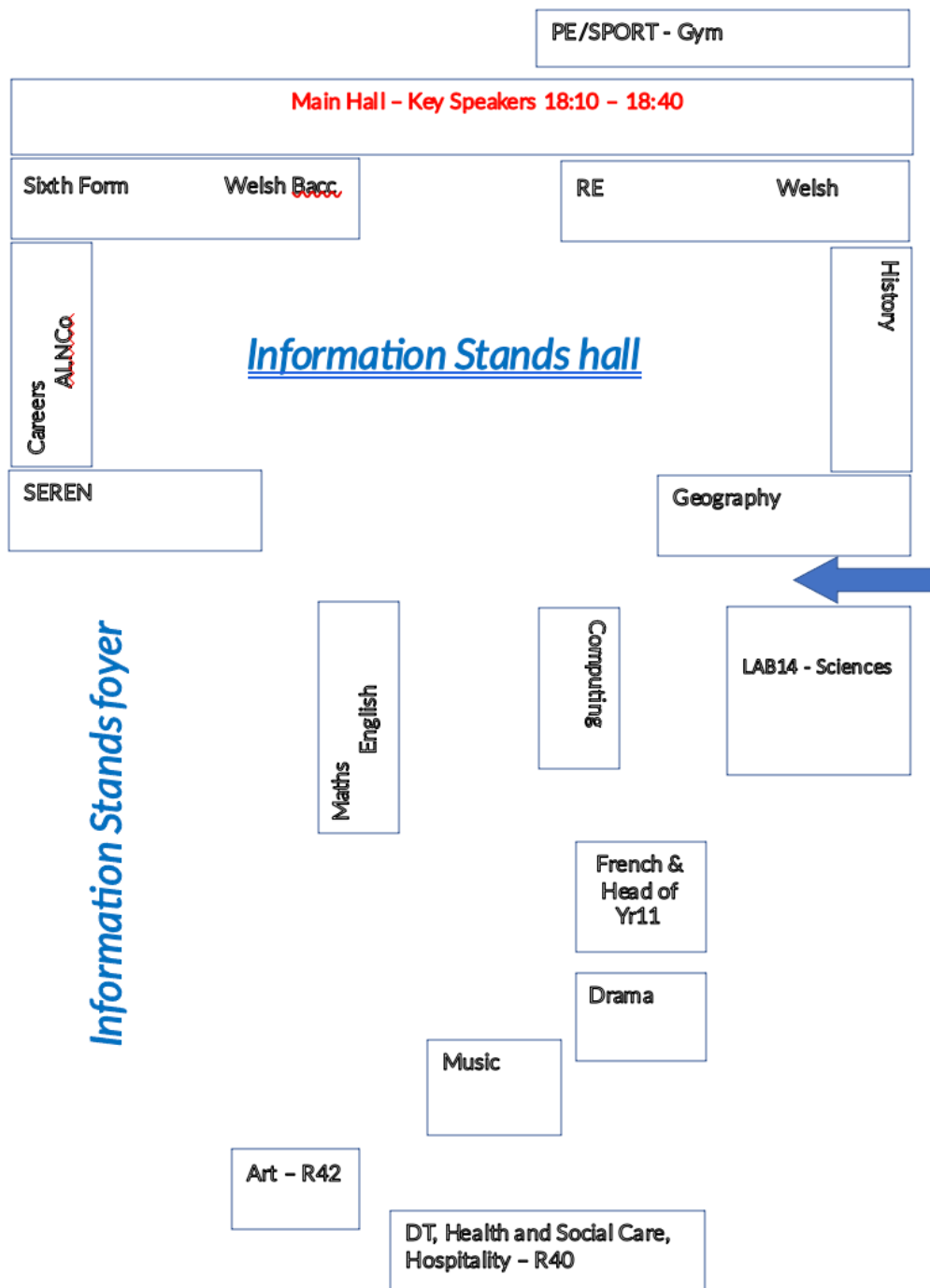
# The Student Challenge we care, Gofalwn

- Do your pathway research.
- Make responsible choices.
- Use your choices to self-motivate you towards success at GCSE level (mocks).
- Continue to develop as a learner in our sixth form.
- **Receive the support and care to access your chosen courses, Super-curricular and Extra-curricular activities.**

# Post 16 Pathway Evening

## Planning Your Future

## Information stands + Questions





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