



Career conversations 2023

Bringing families together

The world of work is changing, and this is an exciting time for young people with many opportunities to explore. We have become more connected through technology and automation, and this has altered how and where we work. Information can be shared instantly, and in many industries, physical location is no longer relevant.

In the past, building a successful career required young people to learn core technical skills for a specific occupation, and gradually broaden this skillset and experience over time. The increasing use of technology in the workplace, and the way we use it to communicate and connect with people across the world, is changing how we work.

You are the greatest influence on your child's career-related decisions, and together with schools we are preparing young people for these opportunities and challenges. We encourage you to start having conversations with your child about career decisions early on. Finding the right career requires a level of self-awareness and a lot of career exploration.

Work capabilities such as critical thinking, creativity, adaptability, integrity and cultural responsiveness are needed for lifelong learning. Young people need help to explore their options and should be encouraged to challenge themselves. They should aim high, think big and be supported to look beyond what they know.

By helping young people to build their understanding of the world of work, they will develop the career management skills required to successfully transition to university, training or employment, as well as throughout their working lives.

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