Options Prospectus 2026-2027

Discover your strengths. Build your future.

'What could you learn if you took the right approach to make it successful? Who could you become?' - Scott. H. Young

Welcome from SLT

Choosing your option pathways is an exciting step in your journey at Endeavour Academy. It is an opportunity to explore your interests, discover new talents, and develop the knowledge, skills, and confidence that will prepare you for life beyond school.

At Endeavour, we believe that education should be meaningful, engaging, and relevant. Our curriculum has been carefully designed to help every young person to thrive and to recognise that success looks different for everyone. Whether your ambition is to work with animals, create digital content, cook professionally, design and build products, repair vehicles, or support young children, your option pathway will give you the opportunity to learn through practical experiences that develop real-world skills.

Alongside your option pathways, every student will continue to study our curriculum which includes English, Maths, Science, PSHE, IT, and PE. Together, these subjects provide the knowledge and skills that every young person needs to become an independent and successful adult.

As you read through this booklet, think carefully about the subjects that excite you, the skills that you would like to develop, and the kind of future you want to build. There are no right or wrong choices, only the pathways that are right for you.

Whatever you choose, we will support you and challenge you to always be the best you can be. We are so excited to see where your journey takes you.

How to choose:

- What subject do I enjoy?
- What am I good at?
- Do I prefer practical learning?
- What career am I aspiring to have in my future?
- Which options will help me to become more independent?

Motor Vehicles and Mechanics



What will I learn?

You'll learn how vehicles work and develop the practical skills needed to inspect, maintain, and repair them safely. You'll use specialist tools and equipment, investigate faults, and gain an understanding of engines, braking systems, tyres, electrics, and routine vehicle maintenance. You'll also learn about workshop safety, teamwork, and the importance of attention to detail.

What will I develop?

- Teamwork
- Practical workshop skills
- Problem solving skills
- Safe use of tools
- Precision and attention to detail
- Mechanical knowledge
- Resilience when solving technical problems

This is perfect if you:

- ✓ Enjoy finding out how things work
- ✓ Enjoy taking things apart
- ✓ Enjoy practical, hands-on learning

What future could this lead to?

- Light Vehicle Technician
- Heavy Good Vehicle (HGV) mechanic
- Agricultural Machinery Technician
- MOT Tester
- Vehicle Recovery Technician
- Auto Electrician
- Mechanical Engineer
- Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (REME)

Qualification

Depending on your starting point, progress, and readiness, you may work towards the SEG Level 1 Award in Motor Vehicles, Level 1 Mechanics, or Level 2 Mechanics. These qualifications recognise your practical skills and technical knowledge, including vehicle maintenance, workshop safety, and mechanical repair. They provide an excellent foundation for further study, apprenticeships, and careers within the automotive and engineering industries.

Animal Care



What will I learn?

You'll learn how to care for a range of animals by exploring their welfare, behaviour, health and nutrition needs. You'll gain practical experience handling animals safely, creating suitable habitats, and understanding how professionals ensure animals remain healthy and happy.

What will I develop?

- Animal handling skills
- Observation and recording skills
- Responsibility
- Compassion and empathy
- Practical husbandry skills
- Communication
- Confidence working with animals

This is perfect if you:

- ✓ Love animals
- ✓ Enjoy caring for others
- ✓ Are patient and responsible
- ✓ Enjoy outdoor and practical work
- ✓ Would like a career involving animals

What future could this lead to?

- Vet/Veterinary Nurse/Veterinary Care Assistant
- Groomer
- Animal Care Assistant
- Zookeeper
- Wildlife Conversation Assistant
- Cattery Manager
- RSPCA Inspector
- Animal Rescue Worker

Qualification

Depending on your starting point, progress, and readiness, you may work towards Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 Animal Care qualifications. These qualifications recognise your understanding of animal welfare, health, behaviour, and practical husbandry skills. They support progression into further education, apprenticeships, and careers working with companion animals, wildlife, and veterinary services.

Sport



What will I learn?

You'll develop your practical sporting ability whilst learning about fitness, nutrition, healthy lifestyles, teamwork, and leadership. You'll take part in a range of activities and discover how exercise supports both physical and mental wellbeing.

What will I develop?

- Teamwork
- Leadership
- Communication
- Confidence
- Resilience
- Physical Fitness
- Coaching Skills
- Organisation

This is perfect if you:

- ✓ Enjoy being active
- ✓ Like working as part of a team
- ✓ Want to improve your fitness
- ✓ Enjoy encouraging others
- ✓ Learn best through practical activities

What future could this lead to?

- Personal Trainer/Fitness Instructor
- Sports Coach
- PE Teaching Assistant/Teacher
- Outdoor Activity Instructor
- Leisure Centre Assistant
- Sports Development Officer
- Armed Forces
- Police Officer
- Firefighter

Qualification

Depending on your progress, you may achieve the BTEC Level 1 Award, BTEC Level 1 Certificate, or BTEC Level 1 Diploma in Sport. These qualifications recognise your knowledge of sport, fitness, healthy lifestyles, and leadership, alongside your ability to apply these skills in practical situations. They provide a strong foundation for further study and employment within the sport, leisure, and fitness industries.

Home Cooking



What will I learn?

You'll learn how to prepare healthy, nutritious meals safely and confidently. You'll develop essential cooking techniques, understand food hygiene, budgeting, and meal planning, and gain the knowledge needed to cook independently for yourself and others.

What will I develop?

- Cooking skills
- Food preparation
- Kitchen safety
- Organisation
- Time management
- Budgeting
- Independence
- Creativity

This is perfect if you:

- ✓ Enjoy cooking
- ✓ Like being creative
- ✓ Want to become more independent
- ✓ Enjoy practical learning
- ✓ Would like to prepare meals for others

What future could this lead to?

- Chef
- Baker
- Kitchen/Catering Assistant
- School Cook
- Restaurant Manager
- Food Production Operative
- Hospitality Apprentice

Qualification

Depending on your progress, you may achieve the BTEC Level 1 Award, BTEC Level 1 Award in Home Cooking Skills or progress to the BTEC Level 2 Award in Home Cooking Skills. These qualifications recognise your ability to prepare healthy meals safely, understand nutrition, and demonstrate practical cookery skills. They help prepare you for independent living, further education, and careers within catering, hospitality, and food production.

Childcare



What will I learn?

You'll explore how children grow, develop, and learn from birth through to early childhood. You'll investigate the importance of play, communication, health, safety, and safeguarding whilst developing the skills needed to support children's learning and wellbeing.

What will I develop?

- Communication
- Patience
- Empathy
- Creativity
- Leadership
- Responsibility

This is perfect if you:

- ✓ Enjoy working with children
- ✓ Are kind and patient and like to help others
- ✓ Enjoy creative activities
- ✓ Want to make a positive difference

What future could this lead to?

- Early Years or Nursery Practitioner
- Teaching Assistant
- Childminder
- Family or Youth Support Worker
- Playworker
- Nanny
- Primary School Teacher

Qualification

Depending on your progress, you may achieve the Level 1 Caring for Children qualification before progressing to the Level 2 Childcare qualification. These qualifications recognise your understanding of child development, communication, safeguarding, and supporting children's learning. They provide an excellent foundation for further education and careers working with children and young people.

Art and Design



What will I learn?

You'll experiment with a range of artistic techniques, materials, and process, whilst developing your own creative style. You'll explore drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and mixed media, taking inspiration from artists and the world around you.

What will I develop?

- Creativity
- Drawing techniques
- Observation
- Imagination
- Confidence
- Visual communication
- Problem solving
- Independent thinking

This is perfect if you:

- ✓ Love being creative
- ✓ Enjoy drawing or painting
- ✓ Notice detail
- ✓ Like expressing your ideas visually
- ✓ Enjoy experimenting with new techniques

What future could this lead to?

- Illustrator
- Graphic Designer
- Animator
- Tattoo Artist
- Interior Designer
- Set Designer
- Costume Designer
- Gallery Technician
- Art Therapist
- Freelance Artist

Qualification

Depending on your starting point, progress, and readiness, you will work towards a BTEC qualification in Art and Design at the most appropriate level for you. This qualification recognises your ability to design, develop, and make products using a range of materials, tools, and techniques. You'll build a portfolio that showcases your work providing a strong foundation for further study, apprenticeships, and careers within design, construction, and the creative industries.

Digital Media



What will I learn?

You'll learn how to communicate ideas creatively using digital technology. Throughout the course, you'll explore graphic design, digital illustration, animation, filmmaking, audio production, and visual storytelling whilst developing the practical skills needed to create exciting digital content. You'll also learn how to plan projects, edit your work, work safely online, and understand how digital media is used in the real world.

What will I develop?

- Creativity and imagination
- Photography and image editing
- Graphic design skills
- Animation and digital illustration
- Filming and video editing
- Storytelling and visual communication
- Project planning and organisation
- Digital literacy and online responsibility
- Confidence using creative digital software

This is perfect if you:

- ✓ Enjoy being creative
- ✓ Love technology
- ✓ Like to draw, design, or create characters
- ✓ Enjoy photography, filming, of making videos
- ✓ What to turn your ideas into digital creations
- ✓ Prefer practical, project-based learning

What future could this lead to?

- Graphic Designer
- Digital Illustrator
- Animator
- Videographer/Video Editor
- Content Creator
- Website Designer
- Game Artist
- Digital Media Apprentice

Qualification

Throughout this pathway you will work towards a series of AQA Unit Awards, achieving nationally recognised certificates for each unit that you successfully complete. Rather than working towards one final qualification, you'll build a portfolio of achievements in areas within Digital Media. Each certificate recognises the practical skills and knowledge that you have developed, creating a record of your progress that will support applications to college, apprenticeships, and future employment within the creative and digital industries.

Hospitality, Events, and Customer Service



What will I learn?

You'll learn what it means to provide genuine hospitality by creating welcoming, memorable experiences for others. Throughout the course, you'll explore customer service, food and drink service, communication, teamwork, professionalism, marketing, and event planning, discovering how these skills work together to create exceptional guest experiences. As your confidence grows, you'll apply your learning through increasingly authentic experiences before becoming part of the team that plans and delivers **Endeavour Live!** Working together, you'll help create a professional event where every detail contributes to an outstanding experience for visitors.

What will I develop?

- Professional communication
- Customer service skills
- Hospitality and guest experience
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Leadership and responsibility
- Event planning and organisation
- Creativity and problem-solving
- Time management
- Professionalism in the workplace

This is perfect if you:

- ✓ Enjoy working with people
- ✓ Want to build confidence communicating with others
- ✓ Like organising activities and events
- ✓ Enjoy practical, hands-on learning
- ✓ Want to develop skills that are valued by potential employers
- ✓ Are interested in hospitality, tourism, retail, or business

What future could this lead to?

- Event Coordinator/Planner
- Restaurant Management
- Customer Service Adviser
- Travel and Tourism Assistant
- Hospitality, Catering, or Business Apprenticeships

Qualification

Throughout this pathway, you will work towards a series of AQA Unit Awards, achieving nationally recognised certificates for each unit you successfully complete. Each Unit Award recognises the practical skills you develop in hospitality, customer service, event planning, and professional communication. As you progress, you'll build a portfolio of achievements that demonstrates your growing confidence and employability.