## Personal Development in Sixth Form



## Volunteering

Throughout Year 12, all students take part in our 'Community Contributor Volunteering Programme', where they volunteering in their chosen activity, for one hour per week. Examples of volunteering options range from paired reading to student mentoring, library assistants to Debating Club leaders. Many students chose to support teachers and students in KS3 or KS4 lessons such as PE, Languages, Science and Creativity subjects, as well as leading extracurricular clubs such as Dance Club, Lego Club and Art Club.

Students can then take this experience to support their UCAS, Apprenticeships and Work Experience applications.

## Careers and Futures

The Careers and Futures Programme offers students bespoke careers advice and experiences, helping them gain knowledge and skills when applying to University, Apprenticeships and Employment following their Sixth Form journey.

As well as our annual 'in-house' Careers and University Fair, throughout your time in Beckfoot Sixth Form you will chose from over 60 different careers talks to attend, delivered by representatives from a range of Career industries. From Teaching to Nursing, Accountancy to Acting, Internet Security to Stage Production, Biopharmaceuticals to Law.

Additionally, you will be invited to experience two bespoke interview practice sessions with local and national employers.

The Sixth Form Team and Careers Team will also support every student in year 12 to secure a meaningful Work Experience placement at the end of year 12. This is a compulsory requirement for all year 12 students.

To prepare students who are wanting to apply to University, each year we take year 12 and 13 to the Elland Road University and Apprenticeships Fair. We also support students to attend University Open Days and Campus Visits.

## Beckfoot Lecture Programme

Each half term, we welcome two external visitors to give our Sixth Form students a talk on a range of subjects, supporting our PHSCE programme. In the last two years we have welcomed visitors such as Oddballs and CoppaFeel!, Locala, Anthony Nolan, Solutions Not Sides, and ex Police Officers to discuss the importance of Driver Safety.

Additionally to this, we invite members of Staff to deliver talks on subjects which are important or of interest to them. Examples include "My Adoption Story", "Procrastination is the Theft of Time", "The Troubles" and "The Importance of Language".

The Beckfoot Lecture Programme is a mandatory expectation for all Year 12 students to take part in. Year 13 students are also invited to attend any of the talks which they feel would benefit them.