

# Post-18 Progression

Parents' Information Evening 2023



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# Staff in attendance this evening

- **Mr Longridge** – Assistant Headteacher Post-16  
Head of Sixth form
- **Mrs Jervis** – Progression Leader
- **Mrs Lenski** – Head of Year 12 & 13



# Decisions

Our lives are filled with an infinite number of decisions.

The decisions that we make on a daily basis shape the world around us and form our pathway through life.

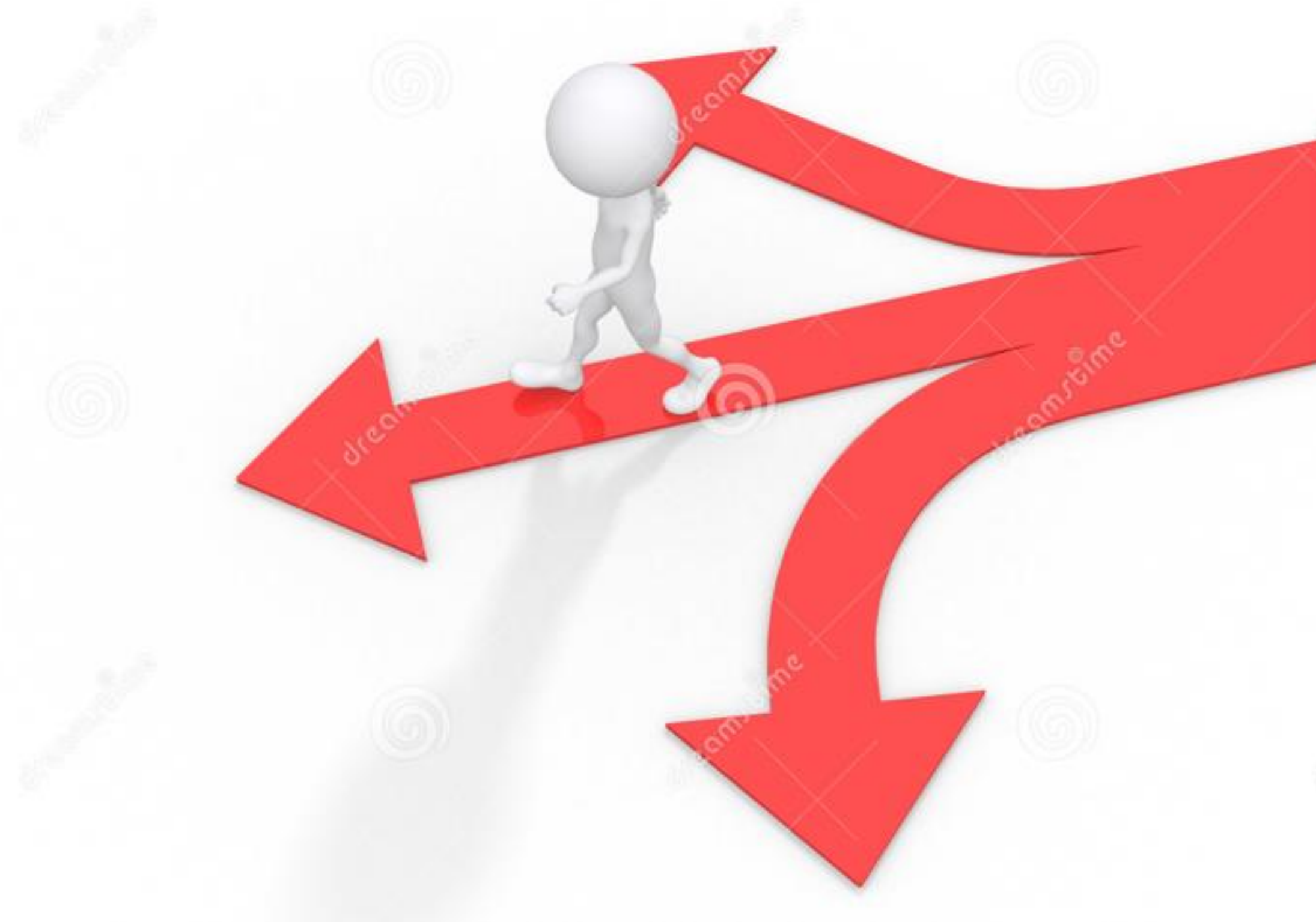


# The purposes of this evening

- Provide an **overview of the post-18 landscape** – university, employment and apprenticeships.
- Explain the **opportunities, support and guidance available to students** in school.
- Offer **tips on helping your sons and daughters** to prepare to make the best applications possible.



# Decisions



# Post-18 Progression

Overview of the post-18 landscape

Mrs Jervis



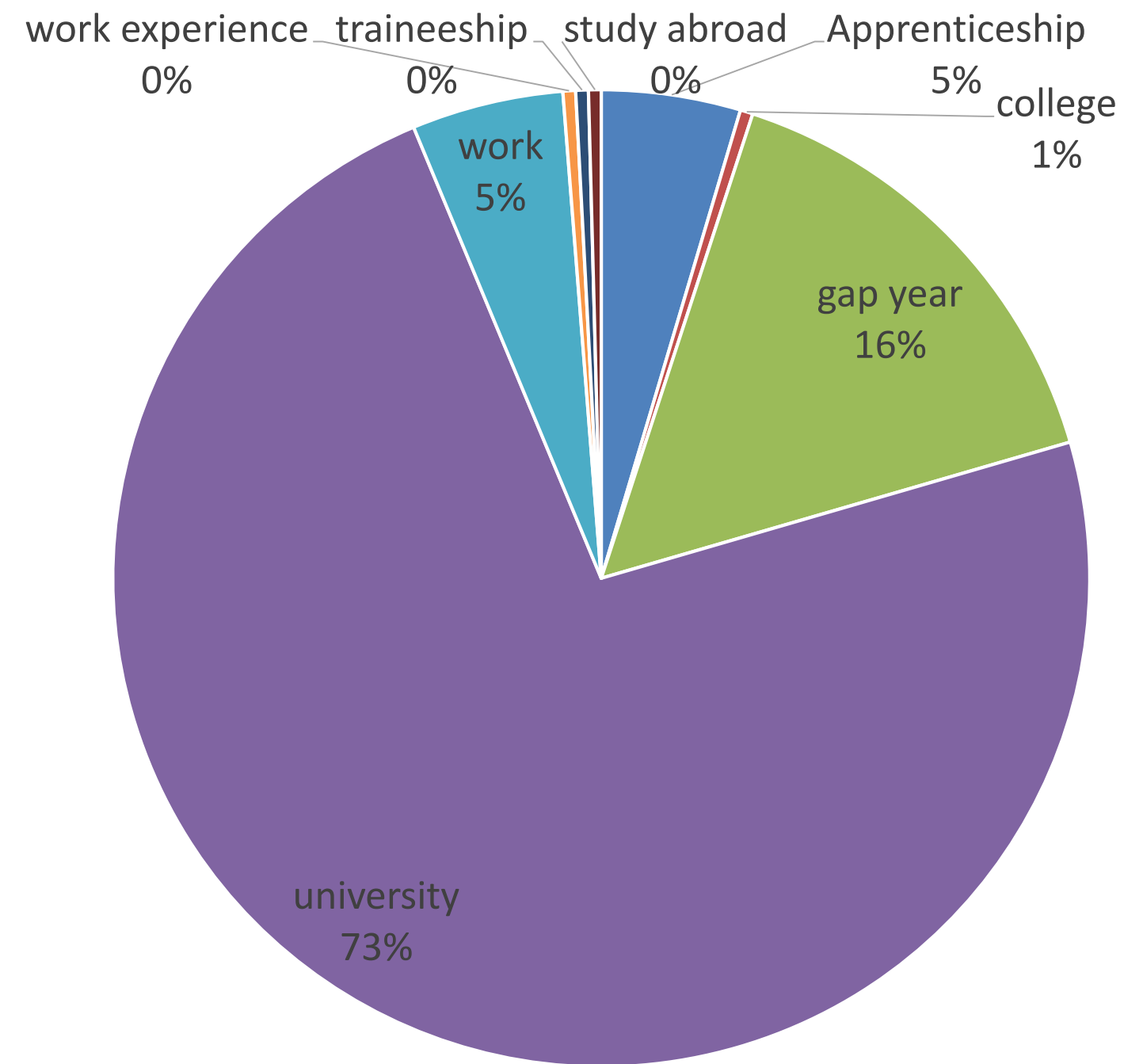
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# What are the main post-18 options?

- **University** (in the UK or abroad)
- Full-time **further education** – vocational courses
- **Employment**
- **Apprenticeships and traineeships** (including degree apprenticeships)
- **Gap year/s**

# Recent data from HGS – HGS leavers 2022





# Most popular universities HGS leavers 2022

HEP and rank		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1	University of Huddersfield	42	39	63	21	44
2	University of Leeds	19	15	16	19	20
3	Newcastle University	11	7	4	10	17
4	University of Bradford	27	17	18	19	16
5	University of Manchester	4	5	3	10	8
	University of York	9	3	4	8	8
7	University of Liverpool	5	1	1	5	6
8	Leeds Beckett University	17	13	10	5	5
9	University of Cambridge	2	3	4	0	4
10	Sheffield Hallam University	6	4	3	4	3
	University of Hull	3	2	1	2	3
	Loughborough University	1	1	2	2	3
13	Durham University	2	2	3	6	2
	University of Nottingham	3	2	7	5	2
	Manchester Metropolitan University	3	2	3	4	2
	University of Brighton	0	0	0	1	2
	Nottingham Trent University	2	2	1	1	2
	University of Salford	4	2	1	1	2
	University of Southampton	3	0	1	0	2
	Staffordshire University	0	0	0	0	2

**29%** University of Huddersfield

**13%** University of Leeds

**11%** Newcastle University

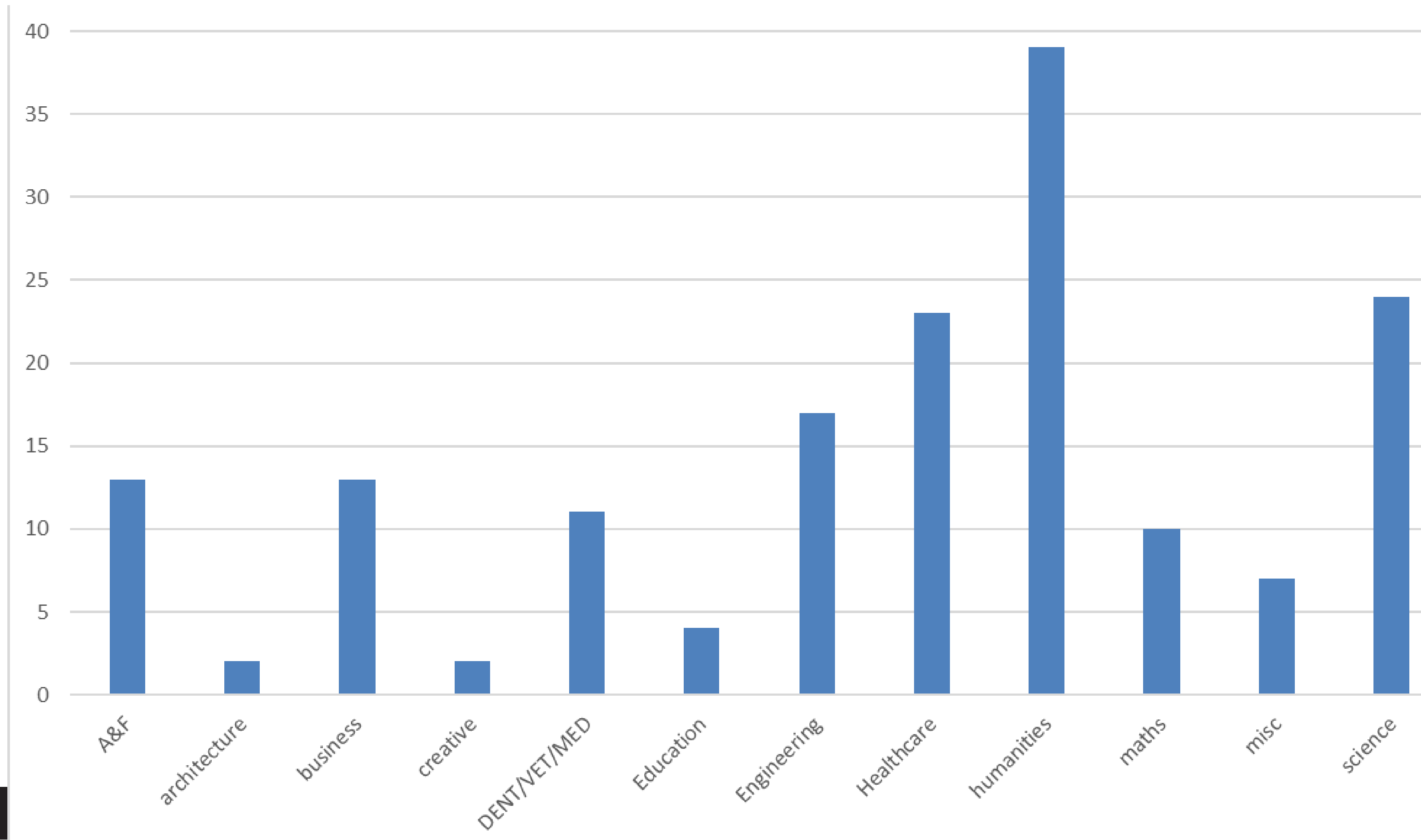
**10%** University of Bradford

**5%** University of York / Manchester

**3%** Cambridge



# The most popular courses HGS leavers 2022



# Selected employment destinations for HGS



Mercedes-Benz



British  
airways



# Post-18 progression

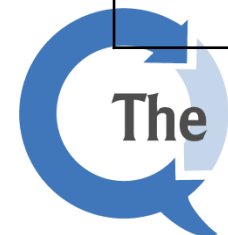
Opportunities, support and guidance available  
in school



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# Overview of Progression support – Year 12

October – December	<b>Information, advice and guidance</b> in registration and Skills Careers-area <b>workshops</b> <b>Visiting speakers</b> from universities, employers and apprenticeship providers.
January to July	<b>HEE and progression activities</b> and presentations in skills; Attend a <b>careers interview</b> for personalised advice and guidance. <b>Work placement</b> support as required. <b>Work experience</b> <b>University visits</b>
July	<b>Progression Event</b> Attend university <b>summer schools and taster days</b> .



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# Progression Event, 2023 Thursday 6 July

- ✓ Introduction into HE research
- ✓ Setting up the UCAS account (the admin section to be completed by 14th July)
- ✓ Career Capital
- ✓ Lunchtime session – personal statements from Oxford University
- ✓ Making the most of summer
- ✓ Student financing and budgeting
- ✓ Alumni clips regarding their journey to Oxbridge



# Progression Event, 2023 Friday 7 July

- ✓ Progression Fair
- ✓ Alumni panel – university and apprenticeships
- ✓ Subject workshops



# Universities attending



# Employers attending





# Outline timetable – Year 13

September-January	Students finalise personal statement and <b>complete on-line application</b> with support from Checker. Some students sit <b>pre-admissions assessments</b> and <b>attend university interviews</b> . Submit and pay for the UCAS application <b>£27.50</b>
October 2 (18.00)	<b>Application deadline for conservatoire music applications.</b> Applications for dance, drama, and musical theatre courses may have a different deadline – check conservatoires' websites for information.
October 16 (18.00)	Deadline for students applying to Oxford, Cambridge or medicine, dentistry and vet science courses.
January 31 (18.00)	Deadline for all other courses
January –May	<b>Ucas Extra</b> published vacancies for students not holding offers or who do not wish to accept offers from their original application. Apply for <b>student finance</b> . <b>Careers interviews and guidance</b> for students applying for employment and apprenticeships.
January-June	<b>Reply</b> to university offers
August	Exam <b>results</b>
	Accept places – <b>Confirmation, Clearing and Adjustment</b>



# Key deadlines (1) External deadlines

## UCAS deadlines

- **2 October 18.00** – students applying for music courses through UCAS Conservatoires.
- **16 October 18.00** – students applying for courses at Oxford or Cambridge, or for medicine, dentistry or veterinary science courses.
- **31 January 18.00** – students for all other courses.

## Assessment deadlines

**1 September – 15 September**  
**students who have assessments**  
**linked to their course**

Oxford or Cambridge, or for medicine,  
dentistry or veterinary science courses

**Test date 18 October**

- <https://www.heckgrammar.co.uk/students/examinations/pre-university-testing/>



# Preadmission tests offered by HGS

<https://www.heckgrammar.co.uk/students/examinations/pre-university-testing/> Test dates 18 October.

Computer-based	Computer-based
BioMedical Admissions Test (BMAT)	Test of Mathematics for University Admission Test (TMUA)
	Thinking Skills Assessment (TSA)
	Thinking Skills Assessment Section 1 (TSA S1)
Paper-based	Paper-based
Economics Admissions Assessment (ECAA)	English Literature Admissions Test (ELAT)
Engineering Admissions Assessment (ENGAA)	History Admissions Test (HAT)
Natural Sciences Admissions Assessment (NSAA)	Physics Aptitude Test (PAT)
Classics Admissions Test (CAT)	
Mathematics Admissions Test (MAT)	
Modern Languages Admissions Test (MLAT)	
Oriental Languages Aptitude Test (OLAT)	
Philosophy Test	





# Doctors/Dentists/Veterinary Science

Doctors and Dentists could be asked to sit the following:

- BMAT practice papers and resources can be found on the [BMAT website](#)
- UCAT practice tests and resources can be found on the [UCAT website](#)

Some Veterinary Science courses want UCAT  
others conduct their own assessments – please check



# Key deadlines (2) Internal deadlines

**1 September** – Draft 1 personal statement Early Entry (form teachers to check)

**22 September** – Early entry applications submitted and paid

**17 November** – Draft 1 personal statement January entry students

**8 December** – January Entry applications submitted and paid

**Cost of UCAS £27.50**

# The UCAS cycle at HGS

**Stage 1:** research course choices and prepare applications.



**Stage 2:** The reference is written by form tutor using key information and knowledge about the student.



**Stage 3:** The application undergoes check and potential changes recommended



**Stage 4:** The application undergoes final check once submitted and paid and sent to UCAS in advance of the deadline. Students can start receiving offers immediately



# Predicted grades

- **UCAS require schools to provide predicted grades** for all students' pending qualifications. This is **evidence based** not based on future potential

The starting point is the last **data collection point and add one grade**

- Early entry students will use DC3 Year 13 data collection
- All other candidates will use DC1 year 13

If the student underperforms compared to target grades in the last data collection point, we look at earlier data collection points to see if the grade can be increased by **calculating the average, then add one grade**

# Predicted grades – if they underperform

Using average, A Level points to help with this

A*	56
A	48
B	40
C	32
D	24
E	16

Student	Dc1	Dc2	Dc3	Average	Predicted grade
Charlotte	A* (56)	A (48)	D (24)	$(56+48+24) / 3$ $= 42.66$ B (40 –47)	A
Callum	A (48)	B (40)	D (24)	37.33 C (32-39)	B



# Predicted grades – if they are on target

Using average, A Level points to help with this

A*	56
A	48
B	40
C	32
D	24
E	16

Student	Dc1	Dc2	Dc3	Predicted grade
Shahid	A*	A	A	A *
Zahra	B	B	B	A





# Points of support

- ✓ Progression Leader
- ✓ **Form tutor**
- ✓ Careers advisers
- ✓ **Checker**
- ✓ Sixth form student support manager (Mrs Lenski)



# Post-18 progression

How can parents help students?



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# Key questions to ask your children

- ✓ Do they know what they want to be doing in **18 months' time**? Are they sure? What about **three years' time**?
- ✓ Do they understand **the nature of the degree/apprenticeship/job** that they are applying for?
- ✓ Do they understand **how to apply**?
- ✓ **Where** do they want to study and why?
- ✓ How are they **engaging with their field of interest** outside of school?
- ✓ Do they know **where they can find help**?

# Where to find out more

- There is a link to information for parents on the <https://www.heckgrammar.co.uk/students/student-support/careers/>
- [Ucas](#) is an excellent website. It has a section dedicated to supporting parents and guardians



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Items for the Progression Event



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# What does my child need to bring to the progression event?

- **Evidence of their GCSEs** – the board, the subjects and grades (this can be a screenshot on the phone for now – we might ask to see real certificates later)
- Their **ULN number** (they have been sent a letter giving them this information – again a screenshot is fine)
- An idea whether they are going to have **student loans** or be **privately financed** by you.
- Consider their attire for sitting in the Swann Hall Thursday and Meeting potential employees/university employees Friday





# Any questions?

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Thank you for listening



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