

Introduction to Building My Skills

Throughout the 2018/19 academic year, Outwood Academy Ormesby Year 10, students will participate in ***Building My Skills***.

Building My Skills is a free employability programme which provides students with access to careers and employability skills guidance through regular timetabled engagement. The programme is coordinated by Esh Group and is now in its 8th academic year.

Students will receive 5 x 1-hour compulsory business engagement sessions throughout the year. Each session will be delivered by a different business guest whom will provide students with insight into the world of work across different sectors, information about a variety of careers and career pathways. Through support and advice from business role models, students will learn invaluable employability skills which they can transfer and develop in their future career, and ultimately become more employable.

After each business session, students will be supported to complete 5 employability portfolio tasks. Throughout the 5 tasks students will map their career path, complete a financial budget, tidy up their appearance on social media, write a CV and cover letter and learn how to prepare for an interview.

The programme will culminate with a regional Mock Interview Day, where students who have engaged with all business sessions and completed their employability portfolio could be given the opportunity to have a mock interview with a real business guest at an external venue.

This academic year, there are 76 schools and over 12,200 students involved in the programme with 95 different businesses signed up to deliver sessions.