

## THE INVESTOR IN CAREERS QUALITY AWARD

### Edgbarrow School's Vision and Values

Edgbarrow School promotes and strives for academic excellence, mutual respect and a sense of community within a vibrant working environment. We are determined that all individuals reach their full potential, develop their talents and acquire skills for life.

Following an initial audit of the CEIAG curriculum in 2010 the decision was taken to make a public commitment towards CEIAG by working towards the 'Investor in Careers' quality award. The school achieved this in March 2011, the award was valid for 3 years and Edgbarrow were successfully reassessed in April, 2014 and May 2017. The most recent reassessment was delayed to May 2021 due to the COVID pandemic and this is now due to expire in May 2024. Following further evaluation by the Senior Leadership Team, School Governors' and the wider school community and in line with DFE Guidance (*Statutory Careers guidance and access for education and training providers (DFE 2023)*) that strongly recommends that all schools should aim to work towards the single national Quality in Careers Standard to support the development of their careers programme (Paragraph 3, page 13), Edgbarrow will be allocating the necessary resources for reassessment. This decision is further supported by the school striving to achieve 100% in all eight Gatsby Benchmarks by the end of the academic year 2023/24.

Edgbarrow will continue to work with all school staff, the governing body, the wider school community and key stakeholders including:

- Mr J Andrews – Assistant Headteacher/Careers Lead
- Mrs K Robinson – Careers Manager
- Ms L Glass – Careers Advisor, Adviza Ltd
- Mrs E Flower – Careers Link Governor
- Mrs E Price – PSHEE Coordinator
- Mrs J Turner – Parent/Member of the PTA specifically supporting careers
- Mrs N Penman-Fea – Careers & Enterprise Coordinator, Berkshire Careers Hub, Berkshire LEP
- Mr I Lindsay – Edgbarrow School Careers and Enterprise Advisor
- The Student School Council

Edgbarrow will also work with a range of partners including the Careers and Enterprise Company, Adviza Ltd and members of the local business community to assist with the delivery of high quality Careers, Employability and Enterprise Education.

We recognise that working towards reassessment of the 'The Quality in Careers Standard Award' will allow us to continue reviewing, developing and enhancing the delivery of Careers, Employability and Enterprise Education within the school in line with the most up to date and current guidelines as they are issued.



Mr S Matthews  
Headteacher



Mrs D Hill  
Chair of Governors