

THE QUALITY IN CAREERS STANDARD AWARD

Edgbarrow School's Vision and Values

Edgbarrow School promotes academic excellence, mutual respect and a sense of community within a vibrant, purposeful working environment, enabling all individuals to develop their talents and acquire skills for life. Be Ready Be Respectful Be Safe Be Positive

In 2010 after an audit of the CEAIG curriculum 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. This award is now due to expire in May 2020 and 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 2018)*; that strongly recommends that all schools should aim to achieve accreditation under the Quality in Careers Standard Award (para. 22, p16) Edgbarrow will be allocating the necessary resources for reassessment. This decision is further supported by the school striving towards achieving all eight Gatsby Career Benchmarks by September 2020.

Edgbarrow will reconvene the 'QiCSA Steering Group' who will meet regularly from now until reassessment in May 2020. The steering group will comprise of:

Mrs L. Fletcher - Assistant Headteacher/Careers Lead

Mrs K. Robinson - Careers Manager/Investor in Careers main contact

Mrs C Turner – Careers Coach, Adviza Ltd,

Mrs D Hill - Link Governor - CEIAG

Miss Y Kadodia – PSHEE Coordinator

Mr R Love - Parent/Member of PTA

Representative from the Sixth Form Head Boy/Girl Team – To be confirmed

Mrs A Giles – Careers Hub Lead, Thames Valley Berkshire LEP Ltd

Mr J Humphrey – Enterprise Advisor, Careers & Enterprise Company

Edgbarrow School will continue to work with our partners including the Careers & Enterprise Company, Adviza Ltd and 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 Mr. D Boothe Chair of Governors

