

CASE STUDY

Royal Grammar School Newcastle



Royal Grammar is a leading independent day school for boys and girls aged 7-18 years located in the heart of Newcastle upon Tyne.



Tradition has it that the school was founded in 1545 by Thomas Horsley, Mayor of Newcastle and the school is now home to over 1300 pupils.

Core part of Careers programme

The careers programme in the Senior School aims to give students advice and guidance to help them make informed choices about future academic subjects, higher education options and careers.

In Year 10, students complete the Morrisby Profile diagnostic exercise, which is followed up in Year 11 with a more in-depth, individual interview, focusing on A level subject choice and possible higher education and career options. The interview report is added to the Morrisby profile for parents and students to read.

Morrisby helps create a valuable discussion focus for individual subject choice/careers interviews in advance of GCSEs and, with each student having a login for life and the facility to retake the interests questionnaires as they mature, it is used again post-GCSE, when advising students on possible routes

beyond A Level. The school especially likes the opportunity for the careers adviser to add an interview report to the profile, so students, parents and careers staff can view it online, and that students can add their own notes to help them formulate plans and to help continuity between discussions.

The package presents subject options at various stages of the student's educational path, as well as careers suggestions. The student can manage these (selecting favourites, discarding others) and the information linked to each subject, course or career suggestion is very detailed.

Morrisby have remained dynamic with regular upgrades and improvements, such as extending coverage of the routes into a given career and direct linkage to other resources such as the UCAS search engine.

"The bottom line is that this package is very good value for money"

Mike Downie - Head of Careers & Higher Education

Key Facts

- ✓ Morrisby Profile from Year 10-13
- ✓ Use of 'Login for life'
- ✓ Core focus of Adviser interview in Y11
- ✓ Used to guide A level & Higher choices