

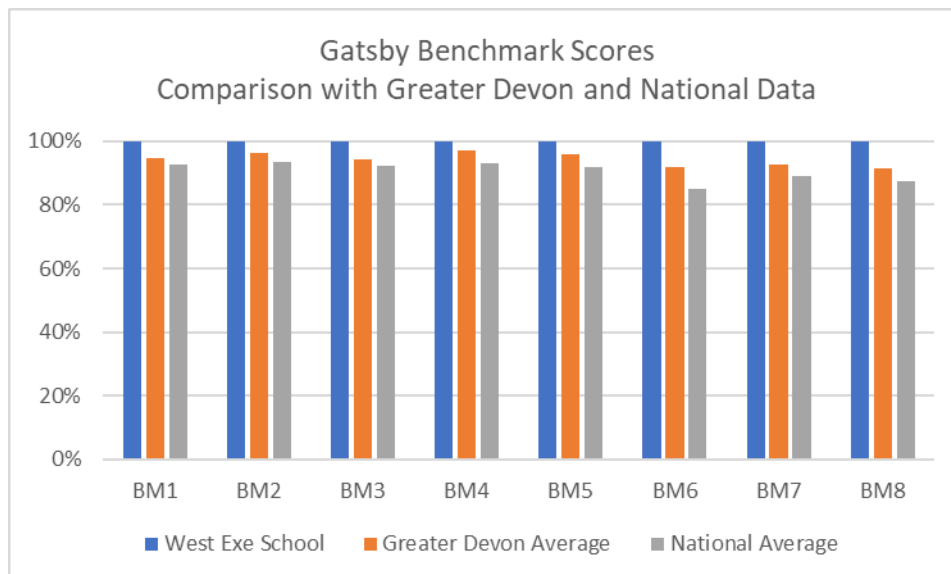
Devon, Plymouth and Torbay Careers Hub Summer Report 2022/23 - West Exe School

Below is a progress report for your school/college for the summer term 2022/23, showing your Compass evaluation scores and comparisons across Greater Devon and nationally.

On 1st September, due to Government organisational changes, the Heart of the South West Careers Hub split into two, with Somerset forming its own Careers Hub embedded into Somerset Council. Your school is now part of Devon, Plymouth and Torbay (DPT) Careers Hub (still working in partnership nationally with the [Careers and Enterprise Company](#)). The change allows both teams to firmly embed within its **local area** and **respond to the needs** of the **education and employers** they serve. The DPT Careers Hub supports 111 schools and colleges across the patch. This change will have minimal effect on you, and the Careers Hub will continue to provide you with dedicated support. Currently your Careers Hub Enterprise Coordinator is **Sandra Peters** email sandra.peters@devon.gov.uk and they will be very happy to answer any questions you have.

The [Gatsby Benchmarks](#) remain enshrined in statutory guidance. They define what world class careers provision in education looks like and provide a clear framework for organising the careers provision at your school or college. As you know, the Careers Hub team support your Careers Leader to complete termly evaluations that assess your progress against these benchmarks and highlight any gaps.

At the end of the last academic year, your school results were as follows:



Please contact your Enterprise Coordinator (details above) with any questions you have with regard to your results.

The Careers and Enterprise Company have recently produced [an Insight Briefing: Gatsby Benchmark results for 2022/23](#). This briefing shares headlines about careers provision in England from the last academic year and reviews provision against the eight Gatsby Benchmarks, showing national trends and the impact of the fantastic work being achieved in schools and colleges across the country.

**PRIORITY 1: IMPROVE CAREERS
PROVISION**

This academic year, The Careers and Enterprise Company have identified the following priorities. This will drive the work of the Careers Hub throughout 23/24. The team are continually looking to improve our support for schools and colleges and welcome your feedback and suggestions.

**PRIORITY 2: DRIVE MORE HIGH
QUALITY EMPLOYER EXPERIENCES**

Experiences of the Workplace is a high priority for all Careers Hubs across the country. The expectation from the Department of Education is for **all** young people to encounter an experience of the workplace during their time at school. On paper schools in Devon, Plymouth & Torbay deliver excellent experiences of the workplace but we know some young people are unable to secure placements for a variety of reasons.

**PRIORITY 3: AMPLIFY
VOCATIONAL ROUTES**

**PRIORITY 4: FOCUS ON
DISADVANTAGE**

The Careers Hub have recruited Caroline Stanmore to work with you to ensure **all** young people secure a placement before they leave year 11. Please contact Caroline.stanmore@devon.gov.uk if you have a high number of young people not experiencing a workplace and would like to discuss this further.

**PRIORITY 5: CONNECT CAREERS
PROVISION TO LOCAL ECONOMIES**

Your school is one of the 33% of schools in Devon, Plymouth and Torbay to attain 100% in all eight of the Gatsby Benchmarks. Congratulations! This is a fantastic achievement and sincere thanks to your Career Leader and the team for the hard work you all put in to achieve this.

However, the hard work doesn't end here, and we know you'll be keen to continue improving the careers provision at your school beyond the attainment of the benchmarks. Please therefore look into the implementation of the **Future Skills Questionnaire**.

The Careers & Enterprise Company created the [Future Skills Questionnaire](#) (FSQ) to measure the career readiness of students at points of transition across secondary education. The questionnaire is for use with students and supports Careers Leaders to evaluate internal careers programmes by gathering data on individual learners' careers knowledge and skills. This is a free questionnaire available from the Careers and Enterprise company via the Compass+ platform.

The aim is for Careers Leaders to use learners' responses to the questionnaire to:

- Identify gaps in a school's provision
- Tailor careers activities to individual needs
- Measure progress of their careers programme over time.

The questionnaire is administered from the Compass+ platform, with learners' questionnaire responses appended to their individual learner profiles and can be repeated year on year to track progress. Your Enterprise Coordinator can support your Career Leader to implement this across your year groups.

We wish you a successful year ahead.

