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# Supported Employment

### **Prospectus 2023 - 2024**

Supporting you in your journey to employment • Build your resilience, confidence and independence • Coaching to find a job and employer that suit you • Learn what it's like to be part of a workforce • Aim for paid work and the career you want!





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With 'Outstanding in Behaviour and attitudes' and 'Outstanding in Personal Development'



Intern working at ASDA cafe

## Preparation for Employment

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"I love working here, seeing the residents every week, the activities and having a chat. I have learnt how to be more lenient and patient. I'm looking forward to next year working in a caring environment role. I have been made to feel very welcome at Blair Park."

Sarah (intern at Blair Park)

## Preparation for Employment

Preparation for Employment is a full-time, 1 year programme, preparing you for the world of work. This is a pre-internship year and suitable for you if you need more support to prepare for the world of work before going into a Supported Internship year.

We aim to provide EPIC opportunities, which stands for: Each Person's Individual Career opportunities. This means, we work with you to identify what you want to learn. For example, developing your confidence, work related skills and identifying what career paths you want to focus on.

### You will do 2 days in the classroom that focus on:

Functional Skills, Maths and English.

Enterprise Activities.

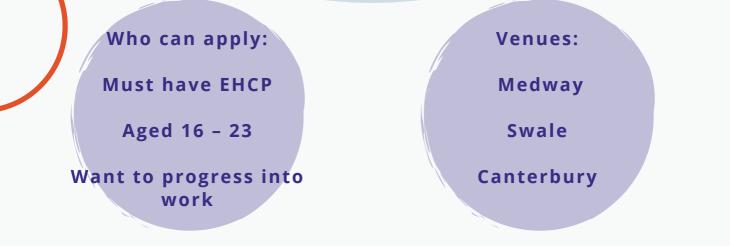
In addition, you will also have Employability Skills lessons, plus individualised support from Work Coaches to prepare you for work placements.

#### Work experience:

You will also spend time developing your confidence and soft skills in a work experience placement. Including team work skills, communication, time management, following instructions, taking individual responsibility and initiative.

#### **Progression:**

A natural progression will be into our Supported Internships year. However, if you want to move on from bemix we will work with you to find an alternative onward destination.





Intern working at Sun Pier House



"This opportunity has made me more independent, socially and financially. I am a better person and more confident at working with other people. bemix supports me and my family as well."

Monty (intern at Sun Pier House)

### Supported Internships

A Supported Internship is a full-time, 1 year programme, supporting you to achieve high quality, paid work that lasts and begins to build a career. You can join this programme instead of, or after, 6th form or college. Join whenever the time is right for you to move from education into a job and career.

This programme focuses on getting you into a work place. We match you to employment opportunities by completing your Vocational Profile. Once you start your work placement, you will be learning and training in your role.

### You will do 1 day in the classroom that focus on:

Functional Skills, Maths and English.

In addition, you will also have Employability Skills lessons, focusing on CV writing, interview skills and vocational qualifications.

Plus individualised support from Work Coaches to prepare you for work placements.

#### Work placements:

The internship is unpaid but it is intended to lead to paid work afterwards. You'll be supported all the way by your employer and a bemix work coach. As you gain confidence and skills, the work coach support will reduce and eventually stop, but they are always on call if you need more help. We can also offer travel training on this programme.

#### **Progression:**

The best outcome is a paid job. However, if you have identified you need further support or your career needs further qualifications, we can support you to access this. This includes a paid apprenticeship.

Who can apply: Must have EHCP Aged 16 - 24 Want to progress into work Venues: Medway Swale

Canterbury

Thanet

## Apply for more info

We'd love to hear from you!

Visit us at bemix.org/si

Email us at referrals@bemix.org



Call us on 07410 980720 About bemix education:

bemix is a Specialist Post-16 Institution providing education. We are a direct contractor to the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) with Section 41 status.

For a young person to access our Supported Employment programmes, the local authority's Special Educational Needs (SEN) Team must name us as the education provider on their Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

Applications via bemix.org/referrals, followed up with meetings with the young person. SEN Teams can also send us direct referrals for consultation.



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