



South Tyneside Connexions Service

Dear Parent/Carer

My name is Joy Stratford and I am the Connexions Advisor linked to Keelman's Way School.

Year 13 and 14 is a key point for students and their families in planning their next steps after leaving Keelman's Way School. South Tyneside Connexions Service will advise and guide Parents/Carers and young people in this process by offering the support outlined below.

- The Connexions Service is part of South Tyneside Council.
- The role of Connexions is to support young people aged 16 to 18 or up to 25 if they have an EHCP to access education, employment and training provision.
- The South Tyneside Connexions Service will provide young people and their families with objective, impartial information, advice and guidance on education, employment and training options.
- Connexions can support young people and their families to arrange and attend visits to Education/Training and Supported Employment Providers.
- Connexions can support young people and their families to apply to provision.
- Connexions on behalf of the young person can advocate with providers to assist the young person's progression.
- Connexions will work in partnership with young people, their families, schools and other professionals to support the young person's progression into education, employment and training.
- Connexions will attend any relevant meetings for the young person including EHCP meetings.

If you need any support around planning your son/daughter future, please contact me using the details below.

Kind Regards

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