

## **The Baker Clause – 2018**

### **Legal duty for schools and academies: access to providers of technical education and apprenticeships (the ‘Baker Clause’)**

Every student, whatever their ambitions, should have the opportunity to explore what it is like to learn at the full range of learning providers, including colleges, universities, apprenticeship and training providers, University Technical Colleges (UTCs) and Studio Schools. That is why the department introduced a [legal duty](#) in 2018, commonly known as the ‘Baker Clause’, which requires all maintained schools and academies to ensure that there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access all year 8 to 13 students for the purpose of informing them about approved technical education qualifications and apprenticeships. By hearing directly from providers, every student can build up a full picture of the options available and consider how the opportunity to study or train in different ways, and in different environments, might suit their skills, interests and aptitudes. This will lead to better-informed choices and help to reduce the risk of dropping out of courses.

Here at Shavington Academy we provide opportunities for education and training providers to access our year 8-11 pupils, informing them about technical educational qualifications and apprenticeships. We provide these opportunities in a number of ways: assemblies delivered by FE Colleges and skills college assemblies (years 8-11), Independent Level 6 Careers Advisor Meetings (year 11 pupils)- provided by Change in Education – independent training company, START programme, Work Experience Event – virtual / physical (year 10), Apprentice Week – ‘Learn Live’ - virtual event c/o Cheshire & Warrington Pledge / CEC, Secondary College event (year 10)- workshops provided by Cheshire College South & West.