WS Training • Study Programmes

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Find the Right Path for You

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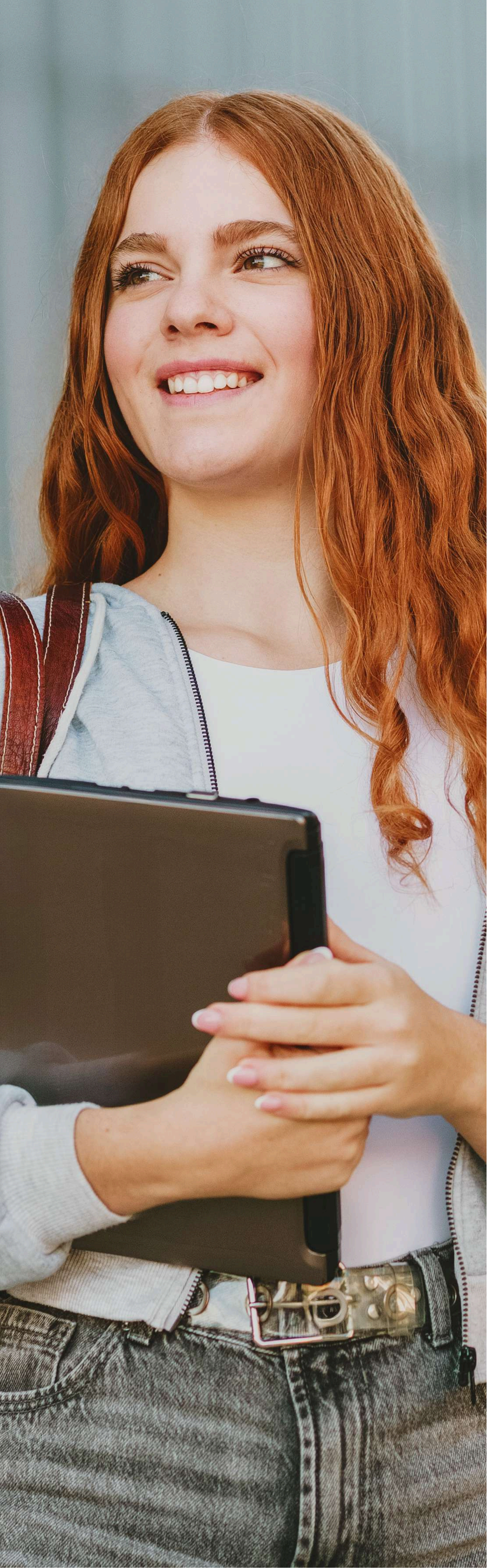

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Pathways & **Study Programmes**

But what actually is a Study Programme?

Our Study Programmes are designed for young people aged 16–19, or up to 24 for learners with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

Put simply, it's a full-time programme built around you. You'll spend most of your time working towards a main academic or vocational qualification, while also developing the practical skills and experience that can help you move into adult services, employment, an apprenticeship and further education.

Everyone's journey is different, which is why our pathways are also built around the individual. The study programme runs for one year, providing dedicated support to help you develop new skills and work towards your goals.

Throughout your time with us, you'll build these skills, gain experience and work towards meaningful achievements that show how far you've come.

Our pathways are designed to be inclusive and accessible to young people aged 16–24, helping everyone make progress in a way that works for them.

Study **Programmes**

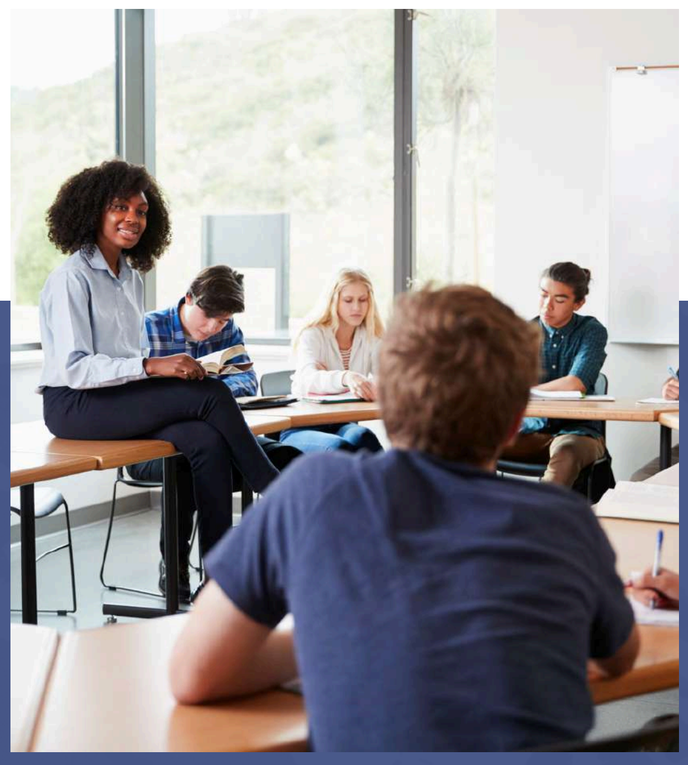
A different way to learn. A clearer way forward.

WS Training Study Programmes offer a more focused, practical route for young people aged 16–19, or up to 24 for learners with an EHCP.

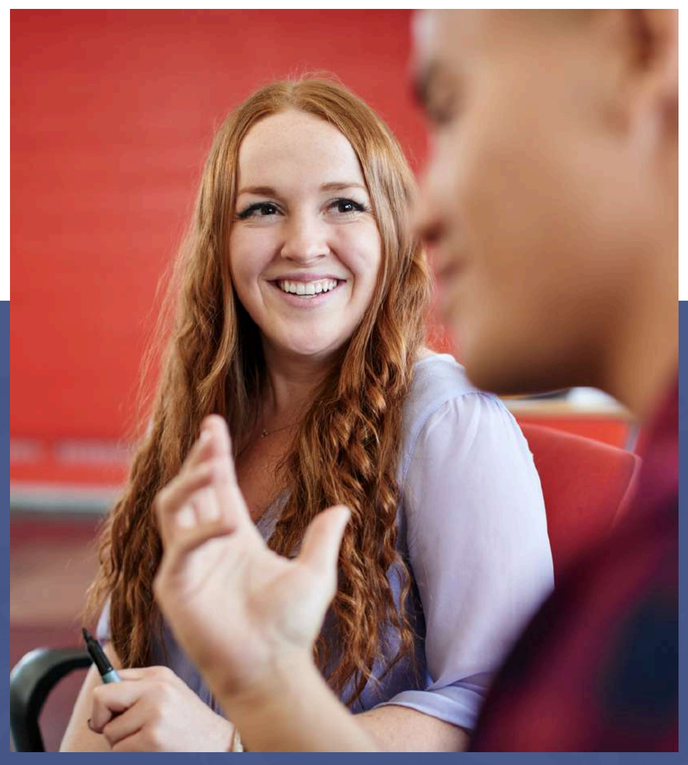
Our programmes are designed to give you more than just a qualification. You'll learn in small groups of up to 12, giving you more time with staff and a learning environment where you can ask questions, get support and stay focused on your goals. Alongside your main learning, you'll develop practical skills, explore different pathway options and gain experience that can help you decide what you want to do next.

Every learner has their own starting point, strengths and goals.

That's why our Study Programmes combine learning with personal development, employability skills and real life experience.







With support from our tutors and a programme built around your needs and goals, you'll have opportunities to try new things, discover what you enjoy and start building a clear path towards your next step.

- **Small group learning**
- **Real work experience**
- **Qualifications & skills**
- **Support for your next step**
- **Fully funded**

Depending on your pathway, you could work towards qualifications in English and Maths, gain a vocational qualification, develop your digital skills, take part in work-related activities or complete a work placement. Our programmes are designed to help you make progress towards your own next step, whether that's employment, an apprenticeship, further education or becoming more independent.

Sensory & **Communication Pathway**

A supportive learning environment where communication, creativity and everyday experiences come together.

The Sensory and Communication Pathway is designed for young people with **Profound and Multiple Learning Disabilities (PMLD)** and more complex learning needs. It combines sensory-based learning with different ways of communicating, helping learners connect with the people and world around them and express themselves in ways that work for them.

Learning takes place in small groups with a high level of individual support, including 1-to-1 support where needed. Activities are adapted around each learner, creating opportunities to develop communication, independence, social skills and confidence at their own pace.

Alongside developing communication and social skills, learners can work towards greater independence and confidence in everyday situations. Whether that's joining in with a group activity, taking part in exercise, developing personal safety skills or experiencing their local community, every opportunity is a chance to learn and make progress.

Communication & Interaction

Learners can explore different forms of communication through activities such as Intensive Interaction, music and communication sessions. The focus is on helping each learner find ways to communicate, respond to others and take part in shared experiences.

Creativity & Sensory Learning

Music, creative arts and sensory activities provide opportunities to explore new experiences in a way that feels engaging and accessible. Learners can develop their awareness, responses and ability to make choices while enjoying activities that are adapted to their individual needs.

Independence & Community

Learning goes beyond the classroom, with opportunities to develop practical skills and take part in the local community. Activities can include taking exercise, learning about personal safety and being part of a group, helping learners build independence and prepare for everyday life.

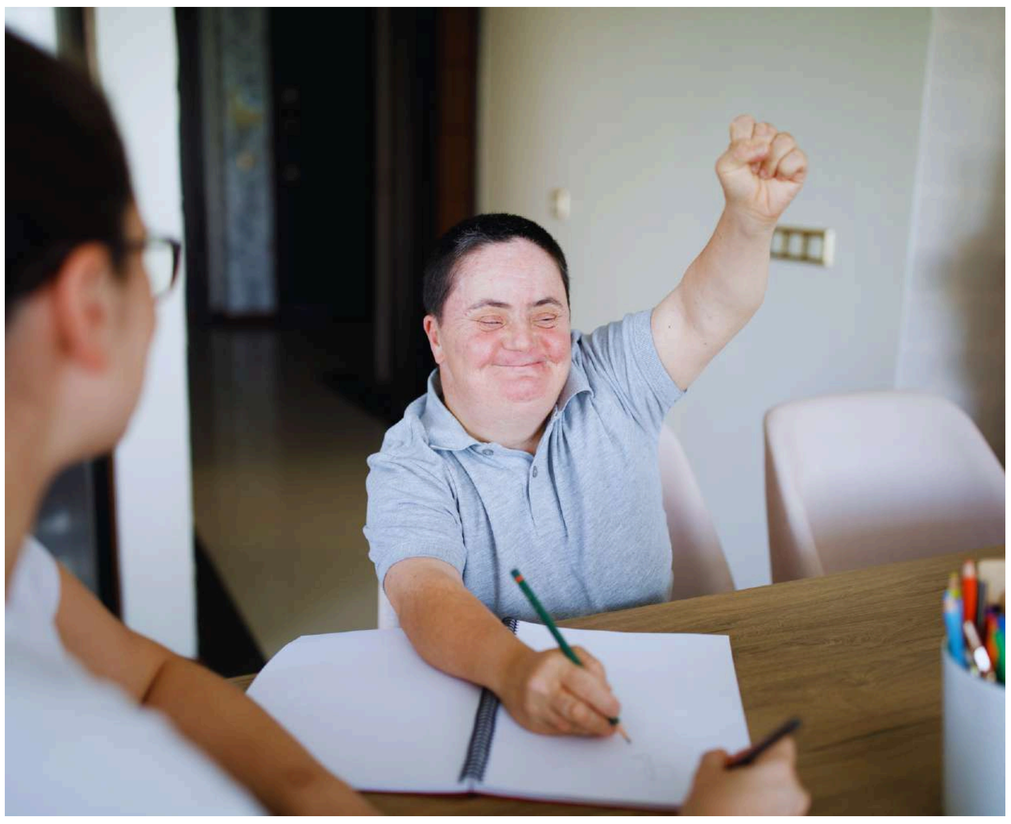


Progression to **Adulthood**

The Progression to Adulthood pathway is designed to help young people develop the practical, personal and social skills they need to become more independent and prepare for their next stage of life.

Primarily supporting learners with an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan, the pathway is suited to learners working at Entry Level who may benefit from a more personalised and practical approach to learning. Rather than focusing solely on traditional academic qualifications, learners are given opportunities to develop skills they can use in everyday life, at their own pace.

The programme brings together literacy, numeracy, personal development, independent living skills, community inclusion, creative arts and personal, social, health and economic education (PSHE). Learning is connected to real-life situations, helping learners understand how the skills they develop can be used beyond the classroom.





Independent Living

Learners can work on practical skills that support greater independence, from handling money and making choices to understanding personal safety and becoming more confident with everyday household tasks. Activities are designed to build skills that can be used at home and in the wider community.



Community & Social Skills

Learners can develop communication and social skills while exploring their local community. This could include practising independent travel, using social and leisure facilities, and learning how to make safe and informed choices when out and about.



Personal Development

Personal development gives learners the opportunity to explore their strengths, develop positive relationships and become more confident in making decisions. Through creative activities, PSHE and real-life experiences, learners can work towards their own goals and prepare for their next step.

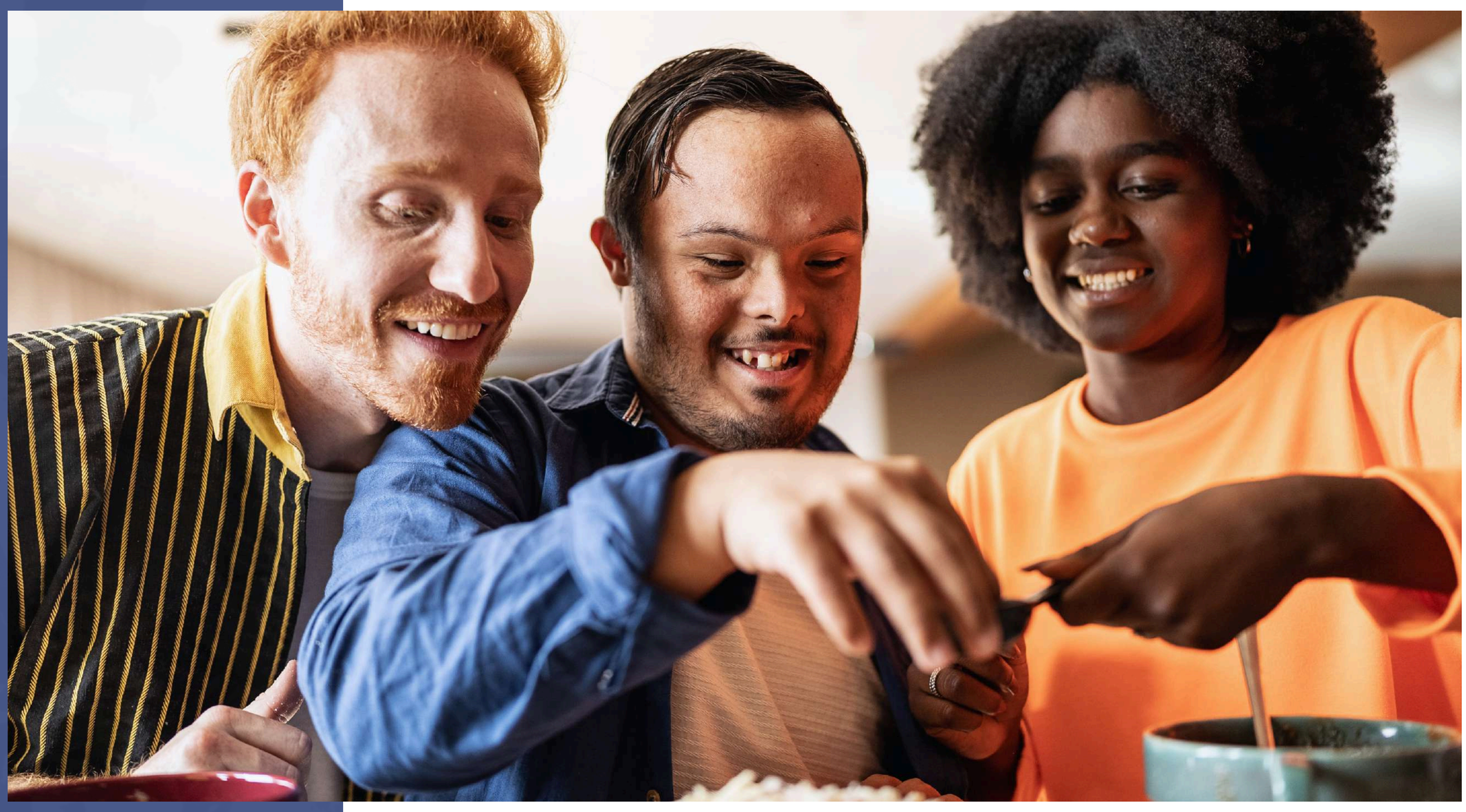
Progression to **Independence / Volunteer**

Building confidence for greater independence

The Progression to Independence / Volunteer pathway is designed to help learners with learning difficulties, disabilities or special educational needs (SEND) develop the practical skills they need to become more independent and take a more active role in their community.

The programme provides a supportive transition from education into everyday life, giving learners the opportunity to build life skills, employability skills and social confidence through practical, meaningful activities. Learning is personalised to each learner, with support provided to help them take part, make choices and work towards their own goals.

The pathway brings together literacy, numeracy, personal development, independent living skills, PSHE, community inclusion and creative arts, with learning focused on skills that can be used in real-life situations. Learners can also explore volunteering and community-based activities, helping them develop experience, routines and a greater sense of independence.



Learners can develop practical skills for everyday life, including handling money, personal safety, making choices and managing household tasks. They'll have opportunities to practise these skills in a supportive environment, building independence at a pace that works for them.

The pathway also encourages learners to get involved in their community and explore volunteering opportunities, helping them develop communication, social and employability skills while discovering new interests. Through personal development, PSHE and creative activities, learners can build confidence, recognise their strengths and work towards greater independence.

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Progression to **Further Education / Employment**

Working out where you want to go next.

The Progression to FE / Employment pathway is designed for learners who are ready to start thinking seriously about their future, whether that means moving into further education, an apprenticeship or employment.

It can be a great fit for learners who have been home educated, have found traditional school difficult, or are looking for a fresh start with their education. The programme provides a more practical and supportive learning environment, helping learners build the skills, experience and confidence they need to move forward.

Alongside English and maths, learners can develop employability, independent living and personal development skills through areas such as work preparation, PSHE and Citizenship, career planning and work experience. Learning is focused on practical skills that can be used in real-life situations, while helping each learner understand their strengths and work towards their own goals.



Learners can develop the practical skills needed for the workplace, including time management, teamwork, communication and taking part in activities. Work experience gives them the opportunity to put these skills into practice, understand what working life is like and start building valuable experience for their next opportunity.

The pathway also supports learners to build confidence, understand their strengths and take more responsibility for their own progress. Through personal development and career planning, learners can explore different options, set goals and start working towards their next step, whether that's further education, an apprenticeship or employment.

- **Preparing for Work**
- **Personal Development**
- **Planning Your Future**

A little reminder...

You don't need to have everything figured out yet. Your time with WS Training is about discovering what you're good at, trying new things and building the skills to take your next step. **Start where you are, keep moving forward and see where your path can take you.**

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EHCP Outcomes

Practical Learning

Bespoke Learning

A programme built around you.

Sometimes, a traditional classroom or training centre just isn't the right environment. Our Bespoke Learning programmes are designed for young people who may face barriers to learning in a centre-based setting, providing a more flexible approach that is built around their individual circumstances, needs and goals.

Every programme is tailored to the individual, taking into account how they learn best, what support they need and where they want to go next. This could include additional support with transitioning into the next stage of their life, developing practical skills or working towards personal and educational goals in a way that feels achievable.

Bespoke Learning is particularly suited to learners who have found that traditional education doesn't work for them. Rather than expecting the learner to fit into a set programme, we can adapt the learning experience around the individual, helping them engage with education in a way that works for them.

These programmes are designed as a transitional step, helping learners move towards their next stage rather than providing a long-term, multi-year programme. The focus is on making progress, developing skills and preparing for what comes next.

No two learners are the same, so no two bespoke programmes need to be the same.

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Individualised Support

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Supported **Internship Pathway**

Learning in the classroom and the workplace

The Supported Internship Pathway is designed for EHCP learners who are ready to take their first steps towards employment and would benefit from support to develop the skills needed for the workplace.

A key part of the programme is real work experience, with learners spending a minimum of two days each week in a work placement. This gives you the chance to experience working life, build practical skills and develop confidence in a real workplace environment, while continuing to work towards your learning goals.

Alongside your placement, you'll develop English and maths, employability skills, PSHE and personal development, helping you prepare for the expectations of work and take the next step towards employment.

Real experience can make a real difference. With regular time in the workplace and support throughout your programme, you can develop practical skills, discover what you enjoy and start building a future in employment.

Workplace Skills

Learners can develop practical skills through their work placement, including customer service, communication, teamwork and professional conduct. Spending regular time in a workplace helps you understand what employers expect and gives you the opportunity to put your learning into practice.

Employability & Digital Skills

The pathway helps learners develop useful skills for today's workplace, including using digital tools, communicating with others and working as part of a team. You'll have the chance to develop these skills through both classroom learning and real workplace experience.

Preparing for Employment

Learners can develop the skills and confidence needed to move into paid employment. This includes learning how to apply for jobs, prepare for interviews and present yourself professionally, while gaining valuable experience that can help you take that next step.



Our **Locations**

Study Programmes across Suffolk and Derby.

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Derby

Our Derby Study Programme gives young people the opportunity to learn in small groups, develop practical and employability skills and gain valuable work experience.

Derby Supported Learning Centre
4 Babington Lane, Derby, DE1 1SU
01332 242 857

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Ipswich

Our Ipswich centre offers a range of Study Programme pathways designed around different learning needs, abilities and goals. supportive environment.

Ipswich Supported Learning Centre
IP City, Ipswich, IP2 8SD
01473 604260





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Haverhill

Our Haverhill centre provides a supportive alternative to traditional education, helping young people develop the skills, qualifications and experience they need for the future.

Haverhill Supported Learning Centre
Rubine House, Manor Road, Haverhill, Suffolk, CB9 0EP
01440 333187

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Lowestoft

Our Lowestoft centre offers young people the opportunity to continue their education in a practical and supportive environment.

Lowestoft Supported Learning Centre
1 Battery Green Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR 32 1DE
01502 273260



The great news is that back in June I passed my course with flying colours, won student of the year for my course, and absolutely overshot the university entry requirements. I still credit WS Training and all you wonderful people for being the stepping stone I needed to make it this far.



At **WS Training**, we're here to help you find a route that works for you. Get in touch with our team to find out more about our programmes, discuss your options and see how we can help you get started.

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