



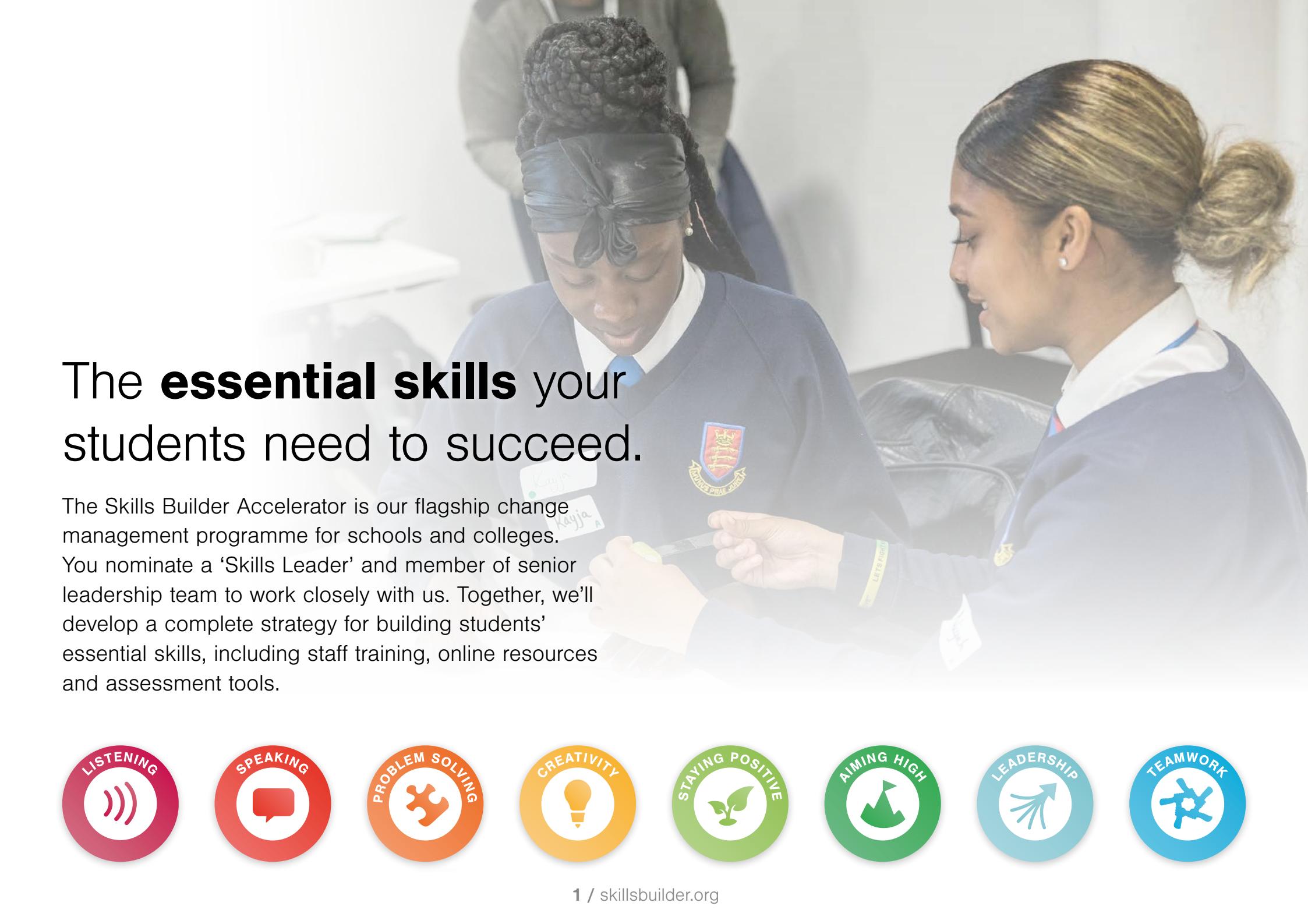
*Supporting the
Skills Builder Award*



Accelerator Prospectus 2023-24

Join a movement of educators building essential skills





The **essential skills** your students need to succeed.

The Skills Builder Accelerator is our flagship change management programme for schools and colleges. You nominate a 'Skills Leader' and member of senior leadership team to work closely with us. Together, we'll develop a complete strategy for building students' essential skills, including staff training, online resources and assessment tools.



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The Partnership

Skills Builder Partnership includes educators, employers and leading organisations. The mission is that one day, everyone will build the essential skills to succeed.


500+
schools, colleges
& universities


200+
organisations
& employers.



The Universal Framework: a roadmap for progress

If we want to build students' essential skills, we need to be consistent, explicit and specific. The Universal Framework breaks down eight essential skills into 16 teachable steps. For every step of every skill there's a suite of teaching and learning resources too. This means that teachers can hone in on the specific skill step that students need to learn next, supporting progress for all ages and abilities - including those with special educational needs.

The Framework is already used by over 800 institutions, and it was developed with the Careers and Enterprise Company, Gatsby Foundation, Business in the Community, EY foundation, the CBI and CIPD. You can explore the Framework in full below.



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Skills Builder Award

Over 12 years with more than 1000 schools and colleges, we have refined a set of 6 best practice principles for building essential skills. The Skills Builder Award recognises schools and colleges delivering high quality essential skills education at a Bronze, Silver and Gold standard. You can learn more about the Award [here](#).



Principle 1: Keep it simple – use a common language and set of expectations across the staff body



Principle 2: Start early, and keep going – invest in students' essential skills as soon as possible



Principle 3: Measure it – ensure students and staff can identify learners' strengths, and areas to develop



Principle 4: Focus tightly – dedicate some time to explicitly teaching the next step in the learning journey



Principle 5: Keep practicing – maximise opportunities across the curriculum to reinforce essential skills



Principle 6: Bring it to life – create opportunities for students to apply essential skills outside the classroom



Skills Builder
Bronze Award



Skills Builder
Silver Award



Skills Builder
Gold Award

Accelerator programme timeline

The Accelerator programme includes touchpoints with a dedicated Education Associate at Skills Builder, who is a former teacher. Plus, there are ongoing elements that run throughout

	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3
Touchpoints with Skills Builder			
 Skills Leader Training Days			
 Strategy Meetings			
 Teacher Training sessions			
Online all-through support			
 Premium Resources			
 Online Tools & Resources			
 Networking & Events			

Accelerator programme details



Skills Leader Training Days

Who attends? This is just for the Skills Leader (the lead teacher at your school/college)

What? Network with fellow Skills Leaders, get to grips with all things Skills Builder and learn about strategies for motivation

How? Virtual, on Zoom, 9am-3pm, range of dates to choose from



Premium resources

What? Choose to unlock up to 17 Challenge Days, 24 extended projects and 4 Virtual Work Experience Modules

How? Optional, with costs attached (up to £1100)



Strategy Meetings

Who attends? This is for the Skills Leader (lead teacher) and a member of SLT

What? Develop a manageable, tailored plan tailored to your school or college with your dedicated Education Associate

How? Video call, 1 hour, booked by you



Online tools & resources

What? Access to Skills Builder Hub (online teaching resources and formative class-level assessments), Skills Builder Homezone (online resources for families to use at home), Skills Builder Benchmark (online student self-assessment for KS3+), Skills Builder Launchpad (online student learning resources for KS3+)

How? Freely included in your programme



Teacher Training Sessions

Who attends? This is for your teachers and staff, all or a specific group

What? An introduction and then follow up session with teachers, to raise awareness and boost staff confidence

How? Virtual, on Zoom, 1 hour, booked by you for when you want it



Networking & events

What? Invites to termly, virtual events exclusive to teachers in Skills Builder Partnership. Events are recorded for those who can't make it. Topics include: curriculum, Ofsted, careers.

How? We'll invite you to sign up once you're on a programme

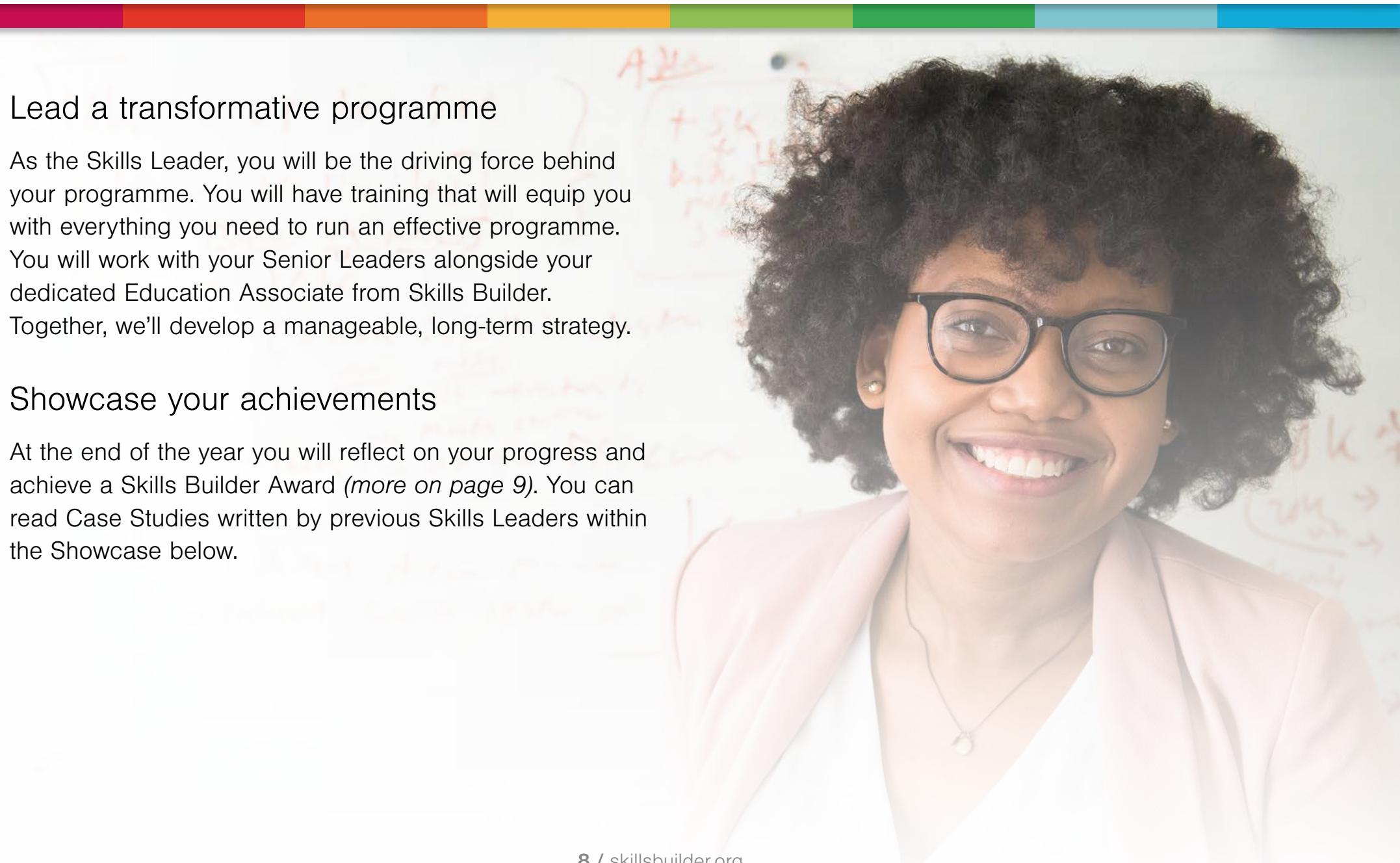
Becoming a Skills Leader

Lead a transformative programme

As the Skills Leader, you will be the driving force behind your programme. You will have training that will equip you with everything you need to run an effective programme. You will work with your Senior Leaders alongside your dedicated Education Associate from Skills Builder. Together, we'll develop a manageable, long-term strategy.

Showcase your achievements

At the end of the year you will reflect on your progress and achieve a Skills Builder Award (*more on page 9*). You can read Case Studies written by previous Skills Leaders within the Showcase below.





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