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Year 10 – Post 16 Update

This week year 10 students had two careers focused lessons. The first introduced different styles of further education such as BTECS, A-levels, vocational diplomas and apprenticeships. The second got them thinking how further education connects with the world of work and how they might start thinking about jobs and careers for the future. Those who missed the sessions will have an info booklet and a worksheet delivered to them in school or sent home before the end of term. Digital copies of these, as well as the videos from the sessions are available as links on the attached sheet and on the school website.

We know that many parents and carers like to be involved in this process and we wanted to pass these resources on to you. For students and parents who would like to spend some time over the summer investigating, we know that early planning can greatly aid the process from September onwards.

Towards the end of September we will release key information about local offers along with an application timeline, college open event details and any deadline information. We also hope to be hosting an in-school careers evening event which we will release details of once we know we are safe to do so.

Our advice at this stage is for students to keep an open mind, explore the options available and consider which ones may be right for them. They can then use the college websites to look at what courses are on offer. Some may also choose to use job information sites to research future career ideas. There is no need to apply at this stage. We will let you know more on that later.

Please see the accompanying sheet for a list of resources we hope some may find useful. These are also available on the careers page of the school website.

Next year all students will get invited to a moving-on interview where our trained advisers can help them develop their plan and give them the advice or guidance they might need. We have started this process already and we hope to invite the majority of students before Christmas. We are also happy to help parents and carers as needed and are available via e-mail, phone and hopefully face to face.

Yours sincerely



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