

Dear Parent/Guardian

Careers Information

Now your son/daughter is entering into year 10 we will be introducing them to possible Post-16 routes and destinations. Our students apply to their Post 16 courses in the November of year 11 but it is important that they start to get an idea of what they may want to do in the future, as all young people need to be in training or education until the age of 18 as part of the Government's 'Raising the Participation Age' priority.

In year ten we have two 'Drop Down Days', where students are taken off their normal timetable to focus specifically on a career related curriculum. These sessions will include looking at budgeting, writing a personal statement, writing a CV, looking at the local labour market as well as having a mock interview with an actual employer. In addition to this, there will be opportunities to visit The World Skills Show at the NEC, a local college as well as a local sixth form.

Your son/daughter will also have access to the Kudos programme which offers them the opportunity to answer a number of questions which explore their likes, their interests and strengths. This then points them in the direction of careers that build on these strengths and preferences. The programme gives the students a chance to see what type of salary they can expect, the local labour market information for that career and what the day to day responsibilities would be. It also highlights which qualifications are needed for those chosen careers.

The school website has a huge amount of information and guidance on it under the CEIAG link. Here, you will find a lot of useful information and links to various external websites so we encourage you to use this to support your son/daughter in helping them prepare for their post 16 options.

Important dates for your diary:

21 st November 2019	The World Skills Show Live at the NEC Birmingham
5 th February 2020 Drop Down Day	Money Matters – Budgeting Writing a CV
23 rd June 2020 Drop Down Day	Writing a Personal Statement Looking at Local Labour Market Information Experiencing an Interview
2 nd July 2020	Visit Brooksby Melton College or Bradgate Sixth Form (formerly Wreake Valley Sixth Form)

If you have any further questions regarding anything in this letter then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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