

## Year 10 Parent Notes

This week in assembly we launched Work Experience to the Year 10 students. Students were informed that the date of Work Experience is during the w/c Monday 16 July 2018 which is during Flex Week.

During the assembly it was stressed that this is an exciting opportunity for them to sample a particular career that they may be interested in for the future to reinforce this as a future career prospect or to find out that it is not what they thought it would be like. The most important part of the assembly is that the success of this opportunity is down to them. They need to secure a work placement and ensure all the paperwork is filled in and returned to school by the deadline. The deadline for all forms is Monday 5 February 2018, however they can be returned earlier than this, and I would advise about getting them in as soon as possible.

If your son/daughter is struggling to secure a work placement or does not know how to approach the company they wish to apply for, they should go and speak to Ms Lambert who can be found in the Careers office in the Meridian building on a Monday, Tuesday or Friday.

Work experience forms are attached to the Year 10 section of the school bulletin and have been emailed to every student.

This week subject teachers have inputted grades on to the system highlighting students current Flightpath Grade and Attitude to Learning Grades. These grades will be a reflection of how well they have settled into life in Year 10 and should highlight the subjects where it is going extremely well and where there are areas for them to improve, especially considering they will be examined in the vast majority of the subjects on their reports.

The key grade to be looking at in this report is their Attitude to Learning Grade as this will indicate whether they are going above and beyond in the subject by securing 1's, doing everything that is expected of them by securing grade 2's and needing to work on some areas if they are securing grades lower than this. Students need to make sure that they make every effort with every piece of work they complete as this will enable their teachers to construct the most accurate picture at what grades they should be expecting at the end of Year 11, and even though this may not be beneficial now for the upcoming grades, is something students should bear in mind for the remainder of the year. We are aiming for these reports to be sent home at the beginning of next week so that they can be used effectively during the Progress Review Evening on Thursday.

Year 10 Progress Review Evening takes place Thursday and students should have been busy booking appointments to see all of their teachers, especially ones that they are being examined in. This will be a great opportunity to see how they have settled in to each of the GCSE courses they have picked as well as finding out what additional things they could be doing to ensure they are as successful as possible, as well as highlighted areas that their teachers may feel they need to work on.

As part of our careers advice provision we have guest speakers who come in on a Friday and talk to the students about a variety of different aspects within their chosen careers, this is known as Future Friday. The next guest speaker for Future Friday will be Nick Peters on Friday 1 December, discussing career options in agriculture – a fantastic job prospect with our growing population. If your son/daughter is interested in attending this talk, please ask them to sign up via their tutor.

I hope you have a good week.

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