

## **Year 8 Parent Notes**

Last week students took part in tutor time activities that focussed on building the skills that they will need when going into the world of work. Students compared four different job roles and the different qualifications and skills needed for these.

It would be great if you could reinforce this at home by having a conversation with your child about where they see themselves in the future and what sort of job they would like to have when they leave education. It's never too early to start thinking about life goals. Let's get them to dream big!

As we come to the end of the Autumn term it is a good chance for students, staff and parents to reflect on the start Year 8 have made to this academic year. Reports can be reviewed and targets made to work on in 2017. There has been a strong focus on progress and making sure students achieve the best they can throughout this year and we want this to continue into the next, ready for the Year 8 Progress Review Evening on Thursday 5 March 2018.

A reminder that when returning for the Spring Term we would like all Year 8 students to make sure they are well prepared for every lesson. This means they need to have the correct books, equipment and remember all homework for when it is due. Please use this as an opportunity to restock pencil cases including glues and spare pens where possible. To ensure students are prepared for after Christmas it is worthwhile to note that when students return on Thursday 4 January 2018 it will be Week 2 on the timetable.

We hope that your son/daughter has made the effort to attend at least one club during the Autumn Term and hopefully they have joined up and attended frequently. In the New Year we will promote a new club every week in the hope that every student can try at least one enrichment activity during their time at Oxted in order to further enrich their experience.

Thank you for your continued support this term.

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