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Dear parents/carers,

Careers Education at Outwood Academy Adwick

At Outwood Academy Adwick, we pride ourselves on ensuring students receive the most appropriate support to help them with their future pathways. The academy has a range of support mechanisms available to students which they access to find out information and guidance about future pathway opportunities. As well as this, there is support available for parents/carers about what you can do to support your child.

Careers Appointments

The academy works with an external provider, Progress Careers, to deliver one to one guidance appointments for students. Students in Y11 and Y13 will receive at least one guidance appointment before they finish their final examinations. Students in remaining year groups are still able to access this support by dropping into the careers office during breaks and lunchtime. The careers office is located next to the Dining Hall and a poster on the door details the next day the adviser will be available. If a student would like to speak with a careers advisers, an appointment can be requested using this [request form](#). Alternatively, please ask your child to speak with their tutor who can request this for them. The careers adviser will then schedule the appointment at the next available time. Once the appointment has been conducted, with the student's permission, a copy of their action plan will be posted home so that you can work with their child through the recommended action points.

Access to careers information

Each year group has their own google classroom which is dedicated for support whilst they attend the academy. This can be accessed [here](#). Within this classroom is an area where there are a range of careers related resources. It has links to our careers advice hub and how to find an apprenticeship. As well as this, there are links to careers websites which are split into subject areas. This classroom will also be one of the places we post information about upcoming events, trips and webinars to get involved in.

Furthermore, we have dedicated careers spaces within the academy where students can access information relating to future pathways. For students looking at options after Y11, there is a dedicated space in the academy library where students can access websites, prospectuses and leaflets relating to careers. This can be accessed during the normal library operating hours. For students in Y12 and Y13, there is a dedicated space in the Post 16 centre which has up to date university prospectuses and resources relating to how apprenticeship opportunities can be secured. In addition, each teaching space has dedicated posters and resources for students to refer to.

Careers Programme

The academy website contains the latest careers education programme. It can be accessed [here](#). This programme is reviewed annually taking into account feedback from a range of stakeholders, including students. This programme is constantly evolving and new opportunities are added in order to ensure students have up to date information. Our external partner, Progress Careers, have also published a [careers portal](#) which contains a range of local information about careers in Doncaster and organisations within the local area.

How can I support my child?

There is a range of support for you in order to support your child in making choices about their career. The [careers portal](#) has a range of advice about the different options and what your child is required to do once they leave Y11 or Y13. As well as this, the National Careers Service have written a [blog](#) which details how to help your child in making these decisions. Please do also keep a look out on our social media channels as we signpost relevant events on there that you can sign up to attend.

If you, or your child, have any questions about the careers education programme at Outwood Academy Adwick then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

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