



WOOTTON PARK

'Ipsium quod faciendum est diutius'

10th March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: National Careers Week

Please see the attached letter from the DfE.

https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/UKDFE/2022/03/07/file_attachments/2095463/Michelle%20Donelan%20MP%20-%20Parent%27s%20Letter%20for%20National%20Careers%20Week%20-%20Final%20Final.pdf

National Careers Week (NCW) is a celebration of careers guidance in education across the UK. The aim is to provide a focus for careers guidance activity at an important stage in the academic calendar, to help support young people in exploring a wide range of possibilities for life beyond school. Wootton Park School has a clear goal to develop the life skills of their learners in order that they are prepared for an ever-changing workplace. There will be a range of careers activities for learners to engage with during their tutor time, as well as a careers focus to their lessons throughout the week. This will help learners to investigate employability skills, personal interests and routes towards possible career directions.

Throughout the year, Careers education is a key focus in the PSHE curriculum and the CREATE tutor session (Communication, Relating to others, Enterprise, Applied, Thinking and Emotional intelligence). At KS5, learners engage with weekly sessions centred around 'Personal Development', where learners explore a range of core topics such as Careers and Future Planning, Post 18 destinations (such as universities and apprenticeships), Financial Planning, and CV and Personal Statements.

All learners within the Secondary Phase have a Unifrog account; bringing all the available careers information into one single, impartial, user-friendly platform. On this platform there is a plethora of careers resources and activities, enabling learners to make informed choices about their GCSE subjects, post 16 and post 18 directions as well as provide them with detailed information about career pathways.

Throughout the year, in addition to the support learners receive from their tutors and their Heads of Year, learners have access to a team of dedicated staff to help them with their next steps

- Miss Watts, Assistant Principal: Careers Lead
- Mrs Woodbridge: SENDCo
- Mrs Steere, Vice Principal: Year 9 Options
- Mr Kilcoyne and Dr Rautenberg: Heads of Sixth form
- Theresa Adabale: Careers Advisor- giving one to one careers guidance meetings to all Year 11 and 12 learners (other year groups can access the careers advisor by making a booking with myself)

Careers Education is a central element to life at Wootton Park School, and after a prolonged absence of trips and visits due to the impact of Covid, we are very much looking forward to the exciting prospects ahead.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me: j.watts@woottonparkschool.org.uk

Yours Sincerely,

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