



# The De Montfort School

UNLOCKING YOUR CHILD'S POTENTIAL

2 July 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are pleased to advise you that we have arranged two special days for Year 10 students on Thursday 8 July and Friday 9 July. Students will have a full day of work experience activities, detailed below, plus a half day of Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) to supplement the reduced curriculum coverage from the year. These specific days have been arranged following the impact of the COVID pandemic on the curriculum for Year 10.

It is disappointing that we have been unable to hold the standard work experience for the year group, so it was important that some alternative provision was put in place to support students' career planning. The RSE content is a statutory and a vital element of the curriculum which we feel is essential for the students' safety and wellbeing.

On 8 July, students will work in tutor groups to complete a series of activities designed to support work experience. These will include an opportunity to identify their strengths and characteristics in relation to career choices, providing an insight into the world of work by participating in a virtual work experience activity, understanding more about the labour market and how to find out information about jobs, researching employability skills and how to present their skills in CVs and applications. Students will have access to a pool of information to support them further in their career planning. Mr B Jones, Head of Learning, is organising the content of the day and will be happy to answer any questions you have. ([BJones@tdms.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:BJones@tdms.worcs.sch.uk))

On 9 July, Year 10 will have 3 hours of RSE content covering the statutory elements of the curriculum. The sessions will cover healthy relationships and understanding relationships (including sexual harassment and gender identity), consent and relationship expectations, contraception and sexually transmitted diseases. Students will be invited to evaluate the sessions and we will also promote the school 'My Concern' text link as a supportive measure. This is available on the school website (top right-hand side) to provide students with a safe way to report any issues with bullying or sexual harassment.

If you have questions or queries about the sessions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs S Harris, PHSE Lead, ([sharris@tdms.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:sharris@tdms.worcs.sch.uk)) with any questions.

Yours sincerely

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