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Careers Education Information Advice and Guidance

Dear Parents/Carers

At several points during your child's education, they will make several important decisions about their future and making the right choice is sometimes very difficult. Our aim is to inform and support students with the range of options that are available to them. We also make it clear that a successful education, especially in English and mathematics, will provide a far greater choice and we believe that every one of our students deserve to have the best life choices.

Currently, Year 13 students are deciding on their post 18 pathway; Year 12 are starting to consider their options for University courses, high quality apprenticeships or even employment; Year 11 will be deciding on their post 16 course of study; and Year 8 are soon selecting the options they wish to study at examination level. So, as you can see it is a very busy time for making key decisions about possible future pathways.

We already offer some one-to-one independent impartial career guidance appointments for identified Year 11 students who are struggling with considering their post 16 options; guidance for students in Year 8 with their option choices through subject specific assemblies; one-to-one impartial career guidance appointments for Sixth Form students if needed for additional consultation with regards to their post-18 options (including University, gap year, further and higher education, employment, apprenticeships and training); a mock interview day with employers for all Year 11 students and planned work experience for Year 10 and 12.

We are also looking to develop a range of visits and meetings with external employers and speakers to expose students to as many options as possible. We aim to run these at lunchtimes once a week from January. If you have a profession, have a trade or run a business and would be willing to share your expertise with our students, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Fiona Lovecy at flovecy@tdms.worcs.sch.uk. An hour of your time would help us inspire the next generation!

Career websites are another source of invaluable information that we strongly advise both students and parents/carers use to make informed decisions. A number of these are advertised on the school's website but several are highlighted overleaf:

THE DE MONTFORT SCHOOL

Address: Four Pools Road, Evesham, Worcestershire, WR11 1DQ
Telephone: 01386 442060 **Email:** office@tdms.worcs.sch.uk

Website: www.tdms.worcs.sch.uk

www.icould.com (multi-media careers information)

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/> (Government website for careers information)

[Worcestershire Careers Hub Information - Careers Portal](#) (Worcestershire Careers website)

www.careersbox.co.uk (career films and information)

www.allaboutcareers.com (general careers information)

www.worcsapprenticeships.org.uk (Worcestershire Apprenticeship Hub)

www.apprenticeships.org.uk (National apprenticeships)

www.ucas.com (applying for university)

www.notgoingtouni.co.uk (alternatives to university)

We hope that you will find this information informative and if you have any further questions or need additional support please do not hesitate to contact me on flovecy@tdms.worcs.sch.uk .

Yours sincerely



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