

### **What have we been up to?**

**See below to see what students have explored in relation to careers and employability this half term. Please do talk to your child about their experiences and how you could further explore these at home.**

#### **Whole School Careers Fair:**

We are pleased to announce that our new annual careers fair will be taking place on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022 3.30pm – 6pm. We will be encouraging all Year 10 parents to attend the event during parents evening, in addition to Year 12 students and parents: however, all students and parents in the community are welcome to come along. If you are a provider or employer who is interested in attending this event please see the attached flyer.

#### **Science:**

Students in Year 7 and 8 will have the opportunity to attend one of 2 STEM based clubs at lunch time: 'My Net Zero' and 'Step into the NHS' – these clubs link their Science learning to real world careers and industries.

#### **Sport:**

Students in Year 13 have explored the many skills developed within the subject and how these are relatable to a wide range of careers, they have mapped these skills across various job roles within the sports industry.

#### **Geography:**

Students in Year 8 have been creating family trees of employment and have been considering how these may influence their possible career pathways and choices.

Students in Year 9 have been exploring house building and construction and learnt about the associated careers within this industry.

#### **Character and Culture:**

Year 9 have explored employability skills all term through the Character and Culture curriculum, this has included learning about careers and jobs, workplace structures, qualifications and post-16 pathways, skills and qualities required in the workplace and labour market information. Students have said that these lessons have been enjoyable and helpful.

#### **Careers Interviews and Work Experience Support:**

Students in Year 10, and some in 11 and 12 continue to have one to one careers interviews with a level 6 qualified careers advisor. They explore their qualifications and available routes post-16 and 18 and are provided with a personalised action plan. This is then shared with parents.

Students in Year 10 are also continuing to work with Mr Perkin and their tutors to prepare their work experience placements, a reminder that the deadline for the online forms to be completed by parents and employers is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December, you can the form for parents [here](#) and the form for employers [here](#).

**If you think you may be able to offer a work experience placement to any of our students through your own place of work please do get in touch, we are always keen to work with our parents and wider community to support our students.**

#### **Mock Exams:**

Year 11 have been focussing on skills for success during their mock examination season, as well as developing a stronger understanding of their strengths through their Sixth Form interviews.

#### **Sixth Form:**

Students in Year 13 have now sent off their UCAS applications and have received support in preparing for interviews through our pastoral system, we are pleased to say that once again we our students have secured interviews at both Oxford and Cambridge. Students who are not applying to University have continued to discuss their next steps through academic mentoring and are now starting to complete applications for apprenticeships and the world of work. Students have been developing skills in leadership and management through the planning and organisation of our annual charity week. This has included managing a schedule, a budget and a team. We are so proud of the hard work they have been putting in to ensure the success of this. Year 12 students are now beginning to look for and source meaningful work experience that is linked to their aspirations for the future. Letters with relevant details and links to necessary paper work were sent to parents earlier this half term.

## Useful things:

### **Buzz Quiz:**

It can be really helpful for students to learn a bit about themselves before key choices such as choosing option subjects, applying for Post-16 and 18 destinations, choosing work experience etc. We recommend students complete this quiz: <https://icould.com/buzz-quiz> It is quick and easy to follow!

### **Labour Market Information:**

The local Labour Market information for Coventry and Warwickshire has been updated and can be found here.

### **Springpod:**

This is a careers focused platform that enables students in Key Stage 4 and 5 to experience various industries before entering the world of work. With free virtual work experience, subject specific courses and opportunities to network with employers it can be a very valuable tool.

Find out more [here](#).

**Barclays Life Skills** - [here](#)

## Opportunities:

**Business Management and Digital Technology Degree Apprenticeships** with Fujitsu to start Sept 2022. Click [here](#) for more info.

**Accounting, Business or Technology-** 9<sup>th</sup> December online workshop with PwC (Price Waterhouse Cooper) to find out more about a range of degree programmes run by PwC in partnership with top universities across the UK for a career with PwC. Click [here](#) for more info.

**Accountancy Apprenticeships** with Moore Kingston Smith accountancy firm. Click [here](#) for more info.

**BAE Apprenticeship applications now open** – click [here](#)

**Apprenticeships at IBM (open w/c 7<sup>th</sup> Feb):** you can register your interest [here](#)

## Reminders and Key Dates:

**Year 10 Work Experience:** Deadline for online paper work to be completed by parents and employers is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**Year 12 Work Experience:** Deadline for online paper work to be completed by parents and employers is 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

**Kineton High School Careers Fair:** Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022 – more details to follow in the new year.