

March 2023

Dear Students and Parents/Carers

Year 10 Employability Skills Day – Wednesday 29 March 2023

All Year 10 students will be involved in an introduction to employability skills on Wednesday 29 March 2023, to prepare for work experience and to understand more about the skills valued by employers. Feedback from previous years indicates that the majority of students find the experience enjoyable and a great opportunity to develop and test skills valued in the workplace.

Several individuals, companies and other organisations from the local area will be coming into the Academy to deliver the planned activities. These include Wessex Water, Alun Griffiths Civil Engineering, Arts University Plymouth, Weston College, Thatchers, Charlie Bigham, BoomSatsuma, Strode College, Somerset Earth Science Centre, University of the West of England, and the Army. The programme will run throughout the day and will give each Tutor Group the opportunity to develop communication, problem-solving, teamwork and commercial awareness skills. All activities will be held within school and normal lunchtime arrangements will apply.

As always, good behaviour and concentration is expected. Students are required to wear normal school uniform.

Please also remember that students will be involved in work experience from Monday 26 June to Friday 30 June. To avoid a late fee, all completed forms should be returned to school by Monday 27 March 2023.

I hope that you enjoy the Employability Skills Day and that you look forward to your work experience placement. They both represent very valuable opportunities for self-development so please make sure you engage fully with all activities to get the most out of both experiences.

Yours sincerely



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