



Year 11 Careers Newsletter: Friday 13th January 2023

Hello, Year 11

How did you perform in your December mocks? Better than expected? If you put the work in, I am pretty sure that it will have paid off? Not as positive as you had hoped / expected? You know what you must do between now and the next round of mocks, in March.

No time for delay, start straight away!

Please check dates and times of college open events. I looked in the prospectus for one college and the dates differed from the website. You must double check to avoid attending on the wrong day.

As mentioned last week, at the end of January, Shropshire Council will ask for where every Year 11 student has applied to college. Therefore, please make every effort to apply before the 31st January. This will be your responsibility to use a web link to log your details. Of great importance, is the request to give your contact details. These will be used by school to contact you after you have left us in July. Therefore, you will need a telephone number and an email address that is NOT your school email. I shall remind you of this nearer the end of January.

Remember going out on Work Experience last July? Did you struggle, like some of Year 10 are, to find a placement? Can I ask you during tutor time, to have a chat with the Y10 members of your group and ask if they need any support? Talk to them about where you spent the week and how you asked employers whether they would be prepared to accept you.

I would like to draw your attention to the legal working hours that young people are permitted to undertake with regard to part-time jobs. It has come to my attention that a number of you are working what seems to be a considerable number of hours and that this may be over the 2 hour limit on a school night, this includes Friday. There is also a limit on the amount of time you are allowed to work over a weekend. I know that one employer has been spoken to by the Council, as the number of hours worked by their young employees, has been more than the legal limit. With your GCSE exams fast approaching, keeping to the permitted number of hours is all the more important. Your part-time job will still be there in July.

This term, I have invited the local colleges into school to take an assembly. The first one is on Monday January 16th. These events will give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have, i.e. when do interviews start?

Have a great weekend, Year 11. Remember those part-time working hours.

Mrs Griffiths-Jones