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Dear Parent/Guardian

## Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge Careers Fair - Tuesday 5 October 2021

On Tuesday 5 October 2021, Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge will be hosting its careers fair and post-16 provisions evening from 5-7pm. During this event your son/daughter will be encouraged to start thinking about what career options are available to them so that they gain enough knowledge as to what GCSE options would suit their chosen career paths, as well as experiencing what study/career opportunities lie beyond their journey at Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge. Both students and parents will be given the opportunity to speak to a wide array of post-16 course providers and employers from the local and surrounding areas.

We have invited a range of providers that offer vocational courses, apprenticeships, college courses and the opportunity to speak to our very own 6<sup>th</sup> form teams from the Maiden Erlegh Trust. The students will also have the chance to interact with successful entrepreneurs and personnel from various sectors including, Law, Finance, Retail, Technology, Health, Public Service and many more. The event will be open to whole school, so regardless of the stage of education your child is at, we strongly feel that it is important that your son/daughter engages with their career aspirations as early as possible to help them on their chosen career path and inevitably maximise their outcomes.

The purpose of the evening is to help our pupils develop an insight into the knowledge and skills required when moving on from school into post-16 provision. All students are now expected to stay in some form of education or training until at the least the year in which they turn 18, so the day will provide them with an appreciation of the options available to them when they pick their GCSE subjects according to their career aspirations as well as when they finish their GCSE course.

To maximise the impact of the evening, we encourage you to have a conversation with your child both before and after the event to encourage them to start the process of thinking about their option subjects and life after GCSE's. This would enable us as school to work to tailor effective careers information and guidance to meet the needs of your child's aspirations.

If you would like more information on the careers fair or if you would like to represent your own sectors, companies, or businesses to help our students broaden their horizons please email me on j.chopra@maidenerleghtrust.org

Yours faithfully

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