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Dear parent/carer,

Last week, year 10 students impressed us all with their engagement with the Careers and Further Education sessions. We have had numerous Work Shadow employers tell us how impressive the students were, and all the external visitors spoke positively of their sessions. I hope students found the week useful and have been having conversations at home about what they learnt.

In tutor this week, students have been asked to complete an evaluation to help us plan for next years' provision and write a letter of thanks for the employer at their Work Shadow placement. We would be grateful if you would help deliver or post the letter with them.

Post 16 choices (Further Education)

In year 11, students will need to apply for their Further Education provision, which is now a legal requirement until the age of 18. There has been a significant increase in choice over the years and there are a number of excellent providers in our local area.

The main options are:

- [A levels](#) which you can do at sixth form college, further education college or a University Technical College
- [Vocational Technical Qualifications \(VTQ\)](#) such as BTEC or Cambridge technical
- [T Levels](#) which you can do at further education college
- [Apprenticeships](#) which combine work with training and study.

Details of each and the providers in our local area can be found in Mrs Finlason's comprehensive booklet which is attached [here](#).

All year 10 students will have had or will soon have their one-to-one session with our Trust Careers Adviser, Mrs Finlason. She is incredibly experienced in supporting students to find suitable pathways and is incredibly knowledgeable about the providers in our local area. Please do read through the document that she writes up for students after the session; it is tailored specifically to the student and their conversation.



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Unifrog platform:

Unifrog is an excellent resource for parents and students to access for advice and ideas. It holds links to all the available further education providers as well as all the currently available apprenticeships.

We particularly encourage the small number of students who did not find themselves a placement or chose not to attend or pay attention in the sessions across the week to make full use of the Unifrog resources, so they are not disadvantaged in their applications to post 16 provisions.

Please do encourage your child to think carefully about their options over the next few months and consider what learning they need to do in and out of school to secure the grades required. Should they have queries or concerns, please encourage them to speak to their tutor or they are always welcome to speak to me.

Kind regards



Judy Hills

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