



16 October 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian

### Further Education for Year 11

As you will know, we are unfortunately unable to run our Further Education evening as originally planned. Instead, we have decided to simulate this in-house. Having liaised with our usual Further Education providers, we have a suite of experiences planned for our Year 11 students.

You may have already received information following your son/daughter's Adviza careers interviews. Please do talk to them about their experience and next steps. There is lots of advice attached to the interview notes and the booklet has lots of information about the different choices available. If you haven't yet seen this, you will receive it when your son/daughter has had their interview.

#### **Open Evening events for Further Education providers**

##### **The Henley College**

Virtual Information Event on Tuesday 20 October: [www.henleycol.ac.uk/events](http://www.henleycol.ac.uk/events)

##### **Basingstoke College of Technology**

Virtual Open Event: <https://www.bcot.ac.uk/news-and-events/2020/10/open-evening/>

##### **Bracknell and Wokingham College** <https://www.activatelearning.ac.uk/events>

Sat 10 October 9:30am-1:30pm

Wed 18 November 4-8pm

##### **Reading College** <https://www.activatelearning.ac.uk/events>

Wed 14 October 4-8pm

Sat 14 November 9:30am-1:30pm

##### **Berkshire College of Agriculture**

Saturday 21 November <https://www.bca.ac.uk/events/>

##### **Highdown School and Sixth Form Centre**

Thursday 5 November <https://www.highdown.reading.sch.uk/page/?>

##### **The Piggott School**

Wednesday 11 Nov

<https://www.piggottschool.org/page/?title=Open+Evening+and+Key+Dates&pid=39>

##### **Maiden Erlegh Reading**

Information about their 6<sup>th</sup> form:

<https://www.maidenerleghschool.co.uk/page/?title=virtual+Sixth+Form+Open+Evening+%2>

### **In-school provision**

- 12 November - Henley College will be providing an introduction to their offering.
- 17 November - Introduction to Further Education Choices Assembly.
- 19 November - Apprenticeships Assembly, followed by a Choices Workshop during PSHE.
- Plus, the usual PSHE lesson provision that includes CV, interview and general career preparation.

Additionally, there are lots of experiences that your son/daughter might choose to undertake for themselves. Please find below some of the forthcoming opportunities. We know that our Year 11 didn't benefit from our usual Year 10 work experience so we will continue to promote opportunities that they might value, both on Google Classroom tutor pages and by periodically sending you further information, as more opportunities arise.

#### **Work Experience opportunities - click the link for details**

[Finance Insight Day](#) with HSBC and the London Institute of Banking and Finance

[Peter Jones Foundation](#) Insight into Entrepreneurship event which sees students creating their own business idea for how to turn £500 into £5,000

[EY](#) business and technology work experience programmes

[JLL](#) property virtual work experience programme

Thales Insight Day (for students) <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/122218473745>

[www.careerdays.co.uk](http://www.careerdays.co.uk) – Online careers day in Law, Veterinary Science and Business (cost attached)

Finally, please encourage your son/daughter to browse the careers stand next to the canteen. There are lots of prospectuses, ideas and information available to them.

Yours faithfully



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