THE MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL

SSA/NHR

15 September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Careers Programme at The Mountbatten School

We would like to thank all parents and carers who have taken part in the careers programme survey which was sent out just before the summer holidays.

Our Year 11 students are now in their final year of full-time education with us. The next step will be thinking about their future and the opportunities available to them in Further Education, training or employment. In order to prepare students we have organised a range of activities for them throughout the year.

Careers programme
Our comprehensive careers programme is delivered during tutor time. Below is a brief overview of the Year 11 careers programme for 2025/26.

- Weekly careers education lessons, covering topics such as:
    - College and apprenticeship applications
    - Pay equality
    - T Levels, university and degree apprenticeships
    - Student finance
    - Gap year
    - pensions

- Careers Fair
- Work Enrichment Day
    - Applying to college
    - Mock interviews
    - Meeting employers

- Assemblies
    - With employers, colleges and training providers

Careers Fair
Our annual fair will be held on **Thursday 18 September, 6-8pm**. In attendance will be a range of local colleges, training providers, a university, local employers as well as former students.

There will be two short presentations for parents and carers. Places are very limited and we ask that only parents/carers attend the sessions.

6.15 – 6.45pm: apprenticeship talk about the various opportunities available to students after leaving school and college

7.00 – 7.30pm: careers in the maritime industry

If you are unable to secure a seat on the night, we will run further online sessions on a different evening, if required.

College Open Events
If they have not already done so, your child should start visiting the local colleges so that they can start to investigate the various options available to them after leaving school.

Please note that college open events need to be booked in advance, via the college websites. Attached is a list of the upcoming events.

Applying to college and apprenticeships
Students will have the opportunity to apply for college during Work Enrichment Day on 2 October. We strongly encourage students to apply to at least two colleges to ensure they have a backup option in place. Apprenticeship vacancies typically start being advertised from spring, our Careers Advisers are on hand to help students create a CV and submit applications.

Keeping up to date with the Careers Department
You will find a range of resources on the school website, ad-hoc opportunities in the weekly parent newsletter under the 'Careers Department' section, or you can join us on Instagram: careers_mountbattenschool.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Careers Office on 01794 510260 or email sindy.shakya@mountbatten.school.

Yours sincerely



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