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Dear Parents and Carers,

Equipping Parents to Support their Child with Revision in Years 10 and 11

We would like to invite you into School to our Revision and Support Evening on **Wednesday 19th April**. The purpose of the evening is to inform you of the guidance and support that we offer Year 10 and Year 11 students in preparing for their GCSE examinations and to offer advice on how you can help support your child at home.

The programme for the evening is as follows:

17.45	Arrival
18.00 – 19.00	Presentations in the theatre from a Senior Teacher and Subject Leaders in English, Maths, Science and RE
19.00 – 19.15	Opportunity to ask a specific subject question with one of the Subject Leaders, before you leave, including the Year Leader for Y10.

Please note the evening is open to **Parents only**.

As you arrive, you will be requested to sign-in. Once you have signed in, you will be given a pack of resources related to the material from the evening. Student leaders will direct you to the Theatre, where you will take a seat and will be presented with ‘tips of the trade’ on how you can support your child.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening.

Year 10 Work Experience

We are delighted to launch Year 10 work experience. This is a great opportunity for students to experience the world of work.

Last year was a real success, particularly after the constraints of Covid, with hundreds of local companies offering to support work experience. This culminated in many of our students being offered part time jobs, with some being offered an apprenticeship!

The onus on securing a placement is very much on students. So much of the learning will come from students finding the placement for themselves. Our local employers are telling schools that they admire and respect students who are prepared to have a go for themselves and that an approach directly from a student is more likely to get a placement than from the school doing it all.

Students will have an opportunity to create a CV, develop their telephone skills and build their confidence during tutor time to help them secure their placement.

Last year 40 local businesses also supported NLS in creating the employability skills (Qualities, Standards and Skills) that they look for in order to have a productive work force where employees can thrive and be promoted.

These skills will be the focus for students during their placement:

Qualities:

- **Honesty:** Can your employer trust you?
- **Confidence:** Do you believe in your ability to do a good job?
- **Resilience:** Are you able to cope when things get a bit tough?

Standards

- **Time keeping:** Can you arrive to work on time?
- **Appropriate dress:** Are you dressed appropriately for your work place?
- **On task:** Can you focus on what you've been asked to do without becoming distracted?
- **High quality work:** Are you able to complete tasks to the best of your ability?
- **Professional:** Are you trying to do everything that is asked of you to the best of your ability?

Skills

- **Communication:** Are you able to speak clearly and respond in an adult way?
- **Team work:** Are you able to get on with others so that you support each other to get the best outcome?
- **Initiative:** Do you do things that need to be done, without being asked?

The most successful student experiences were where parents encouraged and supported their child both in securing, and during, their time in the work placement.

Where students are struggling, after multiple attempts, we will of course support them as best we can.

The first stage is for parents/carers to give their consent to their child undertaking work experience. Please complete the Microsoft form that Mrs. Barley-Morey has put together as soon as possible and no later than **3 March 2023**

[Work Experience Consent Form](#)

There will be further communication from myself and Mrs. Barley-Morey soon regarding the next stage of Year 10 Work Experience.

Kind regards,

Mr. Butler

Assistant Head Teacher
Head of Year 10