Careers support for Parents of Year 11

At the Pavilion, we take next steps very seriously. We want all of our young people to be well informed about post 16 options so that they can make the best choices for a positive future. All year 11 students are offered regular Careers interviews as well as constant conversations with their mentors and teachers about their next steps. We also run specific careers-related assemblies, lessons [in PSHE] and tutorials covering a wide range of post 16 topics as well as Work Experience.

**September** The Army visited the school to run a number of activities to encourage the soft skills needed in the workplace such as; problem solving, team work and communication. A one week work experience opportunity was offered to a small group interested in Construction.

**October** - Next week, we are taking a small group to the Apprenticeship Fair at Saracens Stonex.

**November** A speaker from Barnet Southgate College will visit us and talk to Year 11s about the college and what they offer.

**December** A small group of interested students will be taken to Middlesex University to have a look at the campus and find out about student life.

**January/February** We will run our annual “What Next” careers day where students can try their hands at a wide range of vocational jobs or chat with employers and college representatives.

It’s a good idea for you to talk about post 16 options if you haven’t done so already. This film clip shows how important talking is. Notice how some of the parents thought they knew what their sons / daughters wanted to do and were surprised to find out!

<https://youtu.be/XRT2_R-Hq3A?si=OlKrJ3Ufj0z-DY03>

We’ve also got a list of questions to help you get started on the Conversation starter sheet.