

## Year 11 Area Careers Fair & Futures Workshops

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September 2018

Dear Parent

On **Thursday 11th October 2018** Year 11 pupils will be attending the Area Careers Fair to be held at John Hanson School during the school day in full school uniform. Pupils will be transported to and from the event by coach within the times of the school day enabling them to use their normal transport arrangements to and from school. There will be two separate coach journeys to and from the event:

- Pupils in 11A and 11D will travel from school at 08.45am and return at 11.15am
- Pupils in 11N and 11S will travel from school at 11.15am and return at 13.40pm. Pupils travelling on the later journey will require a packed lunch.

At this event, pupils will attend a presentation from an inspirational speaker Alan Bullock (<https://alanbullockcareers.com/>) and the careers fair, which will have representatives from a number of local further education providers and apprenticeship/training providers/employers. A list of the representatives invited to attend are on the following page.

### Activities in school

During the remainder of the day in school pupils will be attending three workshops. One workshop is devoted to career exploration using IT, including a careers profiling programme. Pupils will also be given advice on and time to produce a Personal Statement for their college/workplace applications. During the afternoon pupils will complete a careers portfolio in order to support and organise their careers plans.

### Getting ready for college or an apprenticeship

Following the careers day we would advise parents and pupils to visit college open evenings in the Autumn Term where more specific course advice can be sought. College applications can be completed as soon as pupils have made subject or course choices and you are advised to be aware of closing dates which come as early as December for some colleges. Missing the closing date really does mean missing out.

Towards the end of the Autumn Term Year 11 pupils will sit their mock examinations and the results will be used to form predicted grades. The predicted grades will be used by colleges and training providers to help support their conditional offers for places in the following September.

College interviews normally take place in the Spring Term. Some are held in school but most are held at the respective colleges. Either way, receiving an offer of a place for September 2019 comes as a sense of relief and motivation for many young people. I would therefore encourage making those applications as soon as your child has made decisions regarding their next step. Pupils are not obliged to commit to a specific college until September 2019 and therefore they can keep their options open and apply to more than one college.

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Hopefully I have covered most things which may cause you concern over the coming very important year. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr. S Langdown - Careers Education Coordinator

Invited to the event are representatives from:

## Colleges

Andover & Sparsholt College  
BCOT - Basingstoke College of Tech  
BCoT Apprenticeships  
Peter Symonds College  
Peter Symonds Higher Ed.  
Queen Mary College  
S6C Salisbury 6th Form College  
Salisbury UTC  
South Wilts Sixth Form  
SUN  
The Wellington Academy  
Wiltshire College Salisbury

## Training Providers / Future Employers

Basingstoke ITEC (IT)  
SCL Football Academy  
AIM apprenticeships

## Training Providers / Future Employers

Andover Mind  
Army  
AECOM  
Andover Leisure Centre  
Aster Property  
Atos  
AWE  
Bath Travel (Hays Travel)  
Be Wiser  
Bioquell

## Training Providers / Future Employers

Careers at Sea  
CITB  
Clee Hill  
Cooled  
Cooper Foods  
Egg Nursery  
Fire Service  
Eric Robinson Solicitors  
Fujitsu  
Lloyds TSB  
Mencap  
MRT Castings  
NHS  
Ocado  
Pellikaan Construction  
Police  
Preformed Line Products  
Rekan  
Rich Products  
Royal Colleg of GP's  
Royal Navy  
SMI Ltd  
Stannah  
Strathmore Vets  
Test Valley Borough Council  
Thermo Fisher  
Vitacress  
WSP

## Year 11 Area Careers Fair Thursday October 11<sup>th</sup> 2018

Reply Slip - Please return to Pupil Services

Pupil Name: ..... Tutor group: .....

I give permission for my child to take part in the Year 11 Area Careers Fair held at John Hanson School on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018 as described in the letter dated September 2018. I understand pupils will travel to and from the venue by coach within school times in full school uniform and that a packed lunch will be required if my child is travelling on the later of the two coach journeys.

If your child's medical details or your contact data have changed since you signed the annual medical form, please can you provide the relevant details below.

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Signed(parent).....Date.....

Please print name.....