

**Important information for all Year 11 January**

**2021**



# Year11

**2020 and 2021 is not quite what we all had planned..... but we are here for you.**

**We know there is a lot to think about this year for you.**

Positive Steps is your **career guidance service** and we can help you think about your next steps after school and beyond. We can help you to continue to plan for your future. You may have already had a career guidance interview. You do not need to make definite decisions now and you will have probably already made some applications including a “back-up” plan. Your school will keep you as informed as possible about the plans for GCSE’s / BTEC’s and vocational exams and how these will be assessed and awarded and any changes as soon as they know more – be rest assured that we will all be here to support you, and it is important to keep working hard and stay focussed.

Our Career Guidance Advisers can also listen to you, and talk to you, if you feel anxious about anything as we know this year and the virus have made it very challenging for you.

*We can help with your career decisions, or if you just need a chat, or because you are finding things tough, help is available from the **Careers team**. You may know your careers adviser from school, but we also have a wider team able to support you if they are not available.*

**Where to find us:** Career Advisers are still available to you, this can be in school for those eligible to attend, over the telephone / videoconference call or via email, Monday to Friday to guide and support you through this year.

CHECK OUT COLLEGE AND TRAINING PROVIDER WEBSITES AS THEY HAVE LOTS OF INFORMATION AND VIRTUAL TOURS TO HELP WITH YOUR IDEAS AND PLANNING AND THERE IS LOTS OF INFORMATION ABOUT APPRENTICESHIPS AND HIGHER APPRENTICESHIPS ALSO. YOUR SCHOOL WEBSITE MAY HAVE LINKS ON THEIR AND WE CAN HELP POINT YOU IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION OF WEBSITES TO LOOK AT.

Don't ignore any issues that may stop you from progressing ... contact your Career Adviser to get help or support as soon as possible.



**POSITIVE STEPS**

SUPPORT | CHALLENGE | CHANGE

**How can  
you stay in  
touch?**

## **Your Career Adviser from Positive Steps**

We will keep in contact with you to make sure that everything is going to plan. This could be your career adviser or another member of the team. This support is also there when you leave school.

**We will also be in touch with details about our support for results day.**

If you would like to contact your own Career Adviser for further support and guidance they can be contacted directly:

Your Career Adviser: **Rahela Akhtar**

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