

# **Venerable Bede Church of England Academy**

## **Dayspring Trust**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we approach the end of Year 10 and look to the start of Year 11, we would like to share some information with you regarding Careers and Post-16 information. There are lots of different options for your child to choose from at the end of Year 11 and it's important that we start to think about the future sooner rather than later, as it is a legal requirement for all young people to be in education until the age of 18.

### **Colleges, Sixth Forms and Apprenticeships**

- Presentations from a wide range of post 16 providers will start in the Autumn term of Year 11
- Open evenings start from the Autumn term of Year 11 pupils, parents and carers are free to attend as many of these as they wish – we will send information about these as dates/times are released
- Applications open dates for applications vary depending upon the provider mostly September
- Deadlines Some providers have deadlines, Sixth Forms tend to be around November/December time, Colleges in the summer term and apprenticeships vary across the year
- It does not matter how many applications your child makes. A lot of pupils worry that they can only apply to one provider this is not true! Your child can apply to all providers that appeal to them and make a final decision later in the year

#### **Careers Advisor**

All pupils will receive a 1-2-1 careers meeting with our Careers Advisor in Year 11. This is a fantastic opportunity to discuss their future pathway.

#### **Work Experience**

The planning for work experience starts around 6 months before the placement takes place. Unfortunately, at the start of the academic year the vast majority of businesses were not accepting pupils on work experience as part of their COVID-19 policy. However, pupils have completed a range of virtual work experience opportunities that have been delivered through their Careers lessons to aid them in gaining transferrable skills.















#### **Venerable Bede Careers Hub**

Please check out the careers section of our website, it has a wealth of information on here including:

- Information for Parents/Carers and Pupils
- Information for Employers
- North East Local Enterprise Partnership details
- Venerable Bede's Careers Curriculum
- Venerable Bede's Careers Newsletter
- Post 16 information and useful websites

Please click HERE to access the Venerable Bede Careers Hub

We will do all that we can to help prepare our pupils for life after Venerable Bede and ensure that the transition to a Post-16 provider is smooth.

If you or your child require any assistance or further information please feel free to contact me via email (<a href="https://holly.tracey@venerablebede.co.uk">holly.tracey@venerablebede.co.uk</a>) and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

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Leading Teacher for Careers & Guidance













