

23rd January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 12 Students,

Subject: Annual Careers Fair and 'Careers Conversations' Activity

I hope this letter finds you well. As we approach the culmination of your child's secondary education, we are delighted to inform you about an integral event designed to support your child's future pathway choices - the Annual Careers Fair at Eckington School.

Date: 30th January Time: 10am – 13.20 Venue: School Gyms

Importance of the Annual Careers Fair:

The transition from Year 12 to post-secondary education or employment is a pivotal time in the lives of our students. To assist them in making informed decisions about their future, we have organised the Annual Careers Fair, offering a comprehensive exploration of various career pathways and opportunities.

The Careers Fair will:

- Expose Students to Diverse Career Options: Representatives from a variety of industries, universities, and vocational training institutions will be present, providing valuable insights into the multitude of career possibilities.
- Provide In-Depth Information on Educational Pathways: Students will have the opportunity to gather detailed information about different courses, programs, and entry requirements, aiding them in making well-informed decisions about their academic pursuits.
- Develop Networking Skills: In addition to the fair, Year 12 students will engage in a 'Careers Conversations' activity. This hands-on session is designed to cultivate effective networking skills, enabling students to confidently engage with external visitors, ask meaningful questions, and build connections.

How Parents Can Support:

We encourage parents to actively participate by encouraging your child to make the most of the Careers Fair opportunity and utilise this occasion to have open and supportive conversations about your child's aspirations, interests, and future plans.

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'Careers Conversations' Activity:

As part of the fair, students will take part in the 'Careers Conversations' activity. This activity focuses on honing their ability to network effectively. It is an essential skill that will serve them well as they navigate the professional world and seek guidance from industry professionals.

Additional Information:

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's involvement in the Careers Fair or the 'Careers Conversations' activity, our pastoral staff and the school's independent career guidance practitioner are available to provide assistance and guidance.

Thank you for your continued support in guiding our Year 12 students towards a future filled with exciting opportunities and success.

Yours Sincerely,

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