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The Newsletter for your pathways
beyond Magna Academy Poole

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Year 10 Post 16 Choices Newsletter

Experience of Work Day

All Year 10 students will be taking part in an 'Experience of Work Day' on **Wednesday 6th July**. This day will be an important part of our students' broader education supporting their understanding of the world beyond the academy. Students will experience a visit to a professional place of work.

Recent surveys show that in addition to good qualifications, employers look for candidates who have a good understanding of the workplace and who realise the importance of developing essential skills; for example, skills in communication, teamwork, problem solving and creativity. At Magna Academy, we believe that the 'Experience of Work Day' will help students to understand the importance and relevance of these skills and therefore encourage them to enhance their own skills set. Experience of work in Year 10 is one of the key Gatsby Benchmarks which all schools and academies follow to ensure their students get the very best careers education, based on best practice from around the globe.

Students can choose from six different visits, however they will be asked to choose three visits they would be happy to go on as it cannot be guaranteed that every student will get their first choice. The visits are:

- Bournemouth Vitality Stadium
- Bournemouth University
- SIEMENS-Poole Manufacturing Business
- Canford Heath- Environmental Management
- Lighthouse, Poole's Centre for the Arts
- Sunseeker, Poole.



Post 16 Choices

Year 11 is a very important year in a student's education. Not only do they sit their GCSEs, but they also make important decisions about their education following their time at Magna Academy. Students need to remain in education or training until they are 18 years old. Year 11 students have various options which they will be learning about during the summer term, firstly through a series of bespoke assemblies. In assembly, students will be learning about the Sixth Form courses and wider educational provision available at Magna Academy. Details about our current Sixth Form provision can be found here <http://www.magna-aspirations.org/sixth-form/welcome-to-sixth-form/>. There is also an introduction to our new Director of Sixth Form, Kate Biddle <http://www.magna-aspirations.org/our-school/slt/kate-biddle/>. Early in the new academic year, we will look forward to welcoming students and parents to our Sixth Form Open Evening which will be held on Thursday 15th October.

Representatives from each of these educational providers will be coming to Magna Academy to speak to students about their courses.

- Poole and Bournemouth College <https://www.thecollege.co.uk/>
- Rockley College <https://www.rockley.org/college>
- Kingston Maurward <https://www.kmc.ac.uk/>
- Amazing Apprenticeships <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/>
- AFCB Football – Football Education Programme based at Leaf Academy or Brockenhurst College <https://playerscout.co.uk/football-academies/english-football-academies/afc-bournemouth-academy/>

Additionally, Year 11 students can choose to study at other local school based sixth forms. Details of their provision can be found on their websites.

Post 16 Careers Fair - Wednesday 13 July

As a follow up to these assemblies, all Post 16 providers who have delivered an assembly will be at the Post 16 Careers Fair on Wednesday 13th July. This will give students an opportunity to speak to individuals and ask questions following what they have learnt during the assemblies.

Mock Interview Day - Thursday 14 July



One of the most effective aspects of careers education is the opportunity to practise interview skills with an employer or someone with a professional job or academic background.

On Thursday 14th July all Year 10 students will get the opportunity to sit a 15-20 minute interview with someone from outside Magna Academy. The students will be asked questions about themselves in terms of their achievements so far, their Post 16 plans, their skills development and enrichment activities and what they have learnt from their 'Experience of Work Day'.

This will take place within the academy day and students will know in advance when their mock interview will take place.

Careers Education in the Academy

During personal development sessions students will also be supported in understanding their choices in order to make these important decisions. Furthermore, students will be guided in preparing and practising for their mock interviews.

Education and Career Progression

Although Year 11 students will be making their Post 16 options, it can be very beneficial to also consider their future steps to help inform decision making. Therefore at the Post 16 careers fair there will also be representatives from:

- Bournemouth University <https://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/> and
- AECC University College <https://www.aecc.ac.uk/>.

AECC University College is a local college which students are not always aware of, and specialises in education at degree level in health and sport which may be of interest to some students.



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Hopefully, students are excited about the summer Futures Programme and see it as a chance to find out about the range of options available. It is always a good idea to have an open mind when making Post 16 decisions and to complete research into the courses that are on offer. In the new academic year, all Post 16 providers will have open evening events which it is strongly recommended attend as part of the decision making process.

Save the Date

**Sixth Form Open Evening :
Thursday 15th October 2022**



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