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Dear parent/carer

Careers Focus Week #2

This week is the second of our 'Careers Focus Weeks' in school, during which your son/daughter will receive continuing Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) as part of our whole school programme. Our CEIAG programme is designed to prepare students for life in modern Britain by providing the knowledge, understanding, confidence and skills that they need to make informed choices and plans for their future learning and career.

Using a range of delivery methods, our CEIAG provision is delivered throughout the year in the following ways:

- Assemblies
- Apprenticeships guidance
- Careers Advisor interviews
- Careers Fair
- Careers Focus Week
- Employee encounters
- Enterprise days
- External post-16 providers
- National Careers Week
- Online (e.g START platform and Springpod)
- PSHE Days
- Taster Days
- Virtual Work Experiences
- Working lunches

This week, Careers Focus Week at Ripley coincides with National Apprenticeship Week 2022. Pupils in Y7-11 will access careers guidance during form time with their progress tutor and via tasks and activities set on Firefly. Pupils in Y8-10 will have opportunities to attend 'Working Lunches' in The Hive delivered by external speakers, in addition to year group assemblies targeted specifically at content related to their stage of career development. There is also an opportunity for students in Y10/11 to sign up to the upcoming Creative Industries Expo Offer: Art/Design/Digital Media at Lancaster & Morecambe College. Details can be found on Firefly.

The focus for students in the Sixth Form is on Apprenticeships and the next steps in the UCAS process.

To maximise the impact of the week, we would encourage you to have conversations with your child throughout the week to help them to start thinking about their future aspirations.

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We feel it is important that your son/daughter engages with their career goals as early as possible to help them start on their chosen career path and maximise their outcomes.

We are always grateful for any parental support for our Careers Guidance programme throughout the year. If you would like to be involved we would be delighted to hear from you!

Yours faithfully

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