



John Spence

COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we come to the end of our first half term back, I wanted to write to you with information regarding your child's post 16 options, and what we are doing as a school to support them to make the right decision. I hope they enjoyed their day visiting the colleges last week, and are now beginning to think more about what might be the right pathway for them. Below I have outlined some useful information for you, and detailed some of the plans we have over the coming months.

Connexions Interviews - All year 11 students will receive a personal careers interview with a fully qualified careers advisor. If you would like to contact the Connexions service, to ask any questions regarding apprenticeships, college places, or employment, please get in touch via the email address below..

Local College Information - After half term, we will begin assemblies from the local sixth forms and colleges for all pupils so they can explore further options.

Open Evenings - All of the local providers hold regularly open evenings and events. These are all advertised on the Year 11 Google Classroom, so please encourage your child to check regularly.

Employer Encounters - We have mock job interviews planned in November for all year 11 students, as well as a Careers Fair in January and an apprenticeship workshop in February.

If you are concerned about your child's post 16 options, or have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact either myself, or our Careers advisor Christina.

Careers Lead - kate.winder@johnspence.org.uk

Connexions Careers advisor - christina.didsbury@northynside.gor.uk

Useful Websites:

Queen Alexandra Sixth Form - www.queenalex.co.uk/

Tynemet College - www.tynemet.ac.uk/

South Shields Marine School - www.stc.ac.uk/marine

Newcastle Sixth Form - www.newcastlesixthformcollege.ac.uk

Newcastle College - www.ncl-coll.ac.uk/

Connexions - skillsnorthtyneside.org.uk/connexions/

Kirkley Hall - www.northumberland.ac.uk/campuses/kirkleyhall-campus/

Apprenticeships - www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

National Careers Service - <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>

Yours sincerely

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