

Educational Services

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Dear parent/carer

Careers and Options Evening Tuesday 7th February 2017 6.00 – 8.00pm

To assist students and their parents/carers in making learning options for 2017/18 for the new timetable starting on Tuesday 30th May, we are holding a 'Careers and Options Evening' on Tuesday 7th February 2017. The evening will begin at 6pm in our new Assembly Hall and we are delighted to announce that Mr Bill Porterfield (Head of HR at Distell Europe) will be giving our keynote speech.

The evening will allow you to discuss the opportunities offered by each subject area as well as seeking advice from local college partners, universities, apprenticeship/recruitment consultants, employers, businesses and Skills Development Scotland on careers and pathways beyond school. Some of our S6 students will also be available to talk to you about their experiences in choosing their learning options.

Mr McNeill, in conjunction with the Parent Council have been working very closely with our local employers and businesses and have secured a number of volunteer consultants from a wide range of careers who will be available on the night for one to one consultations and workshops including Medicine, Engineering, Education, Science and Interview Techniques.

Students will be issued with their learning option forms at the end of January with a deadline of Tuesday 28th February 2017 for final submission of option choices. Full details of our options and curriculum structure can be found on our website under 'Curriculum 2017/18' in the coming weeks including the outcome of our curriculum consultation for S3.

To help in our planning of the event please complete the attached slip indicating if you would like to take part in any of the events on the night. Refreshments will be provided by our students and Home Economics Departments and our young people will be collecting donations for a local charity.

We look forward to meeting you on Tuesday 7th February.

Yours faithfully

E McGregor-Sloman

Head Teacher

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Student Name..... Class:

I would like to attend the event Tuesday 7th February at 6pm.

Please indicate, for catering purposes, how many people in total will be attending from your family.

Please select the options below if you would like to take part

- Face to face interviews with consultants on their careers
- Workshop – Medicine / Science / Engineering / Education (please circle one)
- Interview Techniques Workshop

If possible, I would be interested in speaking to someone about:

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Parent/carer signature: Date

Message from the Parent Council

This is a new event which we are hoping will have a really positive impact on helping students with their choices for the future. If you feel you or your business could support this event in any way this year, or in the future, please contact the school office.

Please return to our school office by Wednesday 25th January 2017