



South Dartmoor Community College

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Dear Parent / Carer

RE: INFORMATION EVENING - WORK EXPERIENCE AND YEAR 11 – TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2024

Last year, our students' results were among the best in the South West. We put that down, in no small part, to community and the incredible support parents and carers gave the students, and not just their own! The saying 'It takes a village to raise a child' seemed particularly pertinent to the success of the year group. It was notable that, on Results Day last August, almost every student brought a parent/carer or family member with them and we all celebrated in the Sixth Form Centre together.

For that reason, we are hoping to run a number of events over the next year to nurture that sense of community and to bring everyone together with the common aim of enabling our students to succeed as best they can. You, as a group of parents, have already been really supportive and engaged with us over the years, and working together is undoubtedly the best way to ensure your son/daughter achieves well.

Our first event will be on **Tuesday 18 June from 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm in the Sixth Form Centre.**

The event will run as an 'Information Evening' and will be an opportunity to come into school in person to meet key staff, ask questions and come together as a community. In addition, we have a guest speaker, Mrs Kate Anthony. Kate is an Educational Psychologist with over 20 years' experience working with children, families and schools, and has offered to give a presentation on 'Making sense of the teenage brain and living with a teenager!'

Following Kate's presentation, Julie Randell, our Careers Lead, will be talking through key information regarding the up-and-coming Work Experience week and Nathan Cox, Assistant Headteacher, will share key dates and useful information to help you to support your child through the remainder of Year 10 and into Year 11.

You are welcome to arrive from 4.30 pm when refreshments will be available. Please follow the link below to give us an idea of numbers to cater for: <https://forms.office.com/e/XHC3tEDE7M>

Whilst this is not a 'parents evening', staff will be on hand to answer any questions that you may have about your child's progress and success through Year 11. We very much look forward to seeing you on the 18 June.

Best wishes

John Bradford
Assistant Headteacher

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