

# CAREERS



# NEWSLETTER –

## Spring Term

Dear Parents/Carers/Staff and Pupils,

We are excited to share developments in our new careers programme at West Moors Middle School. Each term we will inform you of careers events and opportunities which our pupils will be able to participate in.

In addition, our PSHCE curriculum will be covering a range of career themes, including [KS3 projects on careers](#) in various career areas. Later this year they will also be learning about money: how to budget, how to safely buy on-line and understanding scams and fakery. Some of our KS3 learners have produced some fantastic Careers Research Projects and power point presentations which they have presented to the rest of their class. I have been very proud of the effort and creativity they have all displayed in doing these projects.

Unfortunately, Year 8s careers trip to [Bovington Tank Museum](#), to take part in The Big Bang Science Fair, on the 18<sup>th</sup> March was cancelled due to a national outbreak of coronavirus and the Government's guidance on social distancing. However, they are working on being able to host it before the academic year is over and we will hopefully be able to make plans to attend. Later in the year, the year 8s will be involved in a [Careers Workshop with Mrs Stroud](#) from Ferndown Upper School. We have also had numerous speakers throughout the year to come and speak to our children about their careers. Both, the famous author, Maz Evans and Jeff Mostyn, Bournemouth Football Clubs chairman, spent a morning sharing their career experiences with our children.

It was [National Apprenticeship Week](#) just before the half term and if you want to find out more about the world of apprenticeships please click on the link for a parents' pack. It also includes useful information about supporting disabled individuals to access apprenticeships on page 13.

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2010/01/Parent-Pack-January-2020.pdf>

Another useful careers website is:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/careers>

Sitting around the dinner table and chatting to our children is something that is very rare these days, yet so vitally important. Please use this opportunity to sit with your children, even if only once a week, and talk about 'What you want to be when you older?' It is never too early to think about what you want to do or be when you leave school and we would encourage you to talk about your own qualifications, jobs and career paths with your children.

West Moors Middle School is focused on preparing our children for their future and implementing all our core values. This includes not only preparing pupils for their next steps, but also encouraging them to look further forward to what they might want to achieve in their future education and subsequent careers. As well as explicit lessons, we will be taking opportunities throughout our daily school life in sharing job descriptions and career paths of our visitors, as well as our staff. If any parents would like to come in and talk to our pupils about the work you do, please contact Mrs. Cope through the school office.

Yours in Careers and Enterprises

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