

Welling School Careers and Futures Evening - 12th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

After the successful inaugural Careers and Futures Evening last year, we are once again hosting the event for year 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13 students on the 12th December 4.30pm - 6.45pm this year. This event is a key part of our strategy of supporting our students in their college, university and career aspirations and aims to provide as much information as possible about the future pathways available to them.

At the event over 20 colleges, universities and private and public sector organisations / employers will be in school to speak to our students and offer advice regarding their field of expertise. Over the coming weeks, we will be disseminating information to students about this event and students will undertake some preparatory work during their tutor lessons, prior to the event, to ensure that they are fully prepared.

Therefore, we would like to invite Parents and Carers to attend the Careers and Futures Evening with their child, as this will be an excellent opportunity for students to discuss career and educational aspirations with exhibitors.

We are also delighted to have Gemma Arterton joining the event. Gemma is an actress that grew up in the local area and has gone on to become a successful Hollywood actress by starring in some of the biggest recent blockbusters including James Bond, Quantum of Solace and the Kings Man. Gemma was nominated for Olivier Awards for her work on both Nell Gwynn and Made in Dagenham, and she won the Evening Standard Theatre Award for the latter.



This year we are delighted to welcome Harry Watling, who will be opening the event. Harry is a football coach and is currently manager of National League club Ebbsfleet FC. He is one of the youngest coaches in England to have earned the UEFA A, B and PRO coaching licence's and has been the First Team Development Coach at Championship side Queens Park Rangers and Scottish Premiership side Rangers.



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During the Careers and Futures Evening, parents/Carers and students will be given the opportunity of attending 5 workshops with organisations and these can be selected via the Google form that I will be sending out to you with this letter. On the google form please select one workshop from each of the sessions below that you would like to attend - please click here to view the form. I would really appreciate it if you could complete and return the Google form by Thursday 5th December. Please click here. I can then ensure that you are booked for the workshops that you have selected. The itinerary for the evening is listed below:

4.15pm - 4.30pm Parents and students arrive

4.30pm - 4.45pm Opening Presentation from Guest Speaker Harry Watling (Ebbsfleet FC Manager)

4.45pm - 5.00pm Careers Presentation from Guest Speaker Gemma Arterton (Actress)

5.00pm - 5.20pm Workshop session 1

5.20pm - 5.40pm Workshop session 2

5.40pm - 6.00pm Workshop session 3

6.00pm - 6.20pm Workshop session 4

6.20pm - 6.40pm Workshop session 5

5.00pm - 6.45pm - Meet and greet session with Harry Watling and Gemma Arterton

The workshops that you will be able to attend on the evening are:

Public Sector organisations

Army, Public Health England, Government Renewables and Legal Department, Civil Service Department for International Trade, Cabinet Office, Department of Work and Pensions, Metropolitan Police, Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust, TKAT Human Resources Department, London Fire Service, London Ambulance Service

Private Sector organisations

LLoyds Banking Group, ISS Market Intelligence, Baringa Partners, Un ponte per Anne Frank Jackson Lifts, ASK Education Development Trust, APD Academy, Finance Planning Ltd, Transport and Logistics.

Universities

Canterbury University, Greenwich University.

Colleges

Shooters Hill College, LSEC College, North Kent College.

We believe this event is a valuable opportunity to support our students in enabling them to make sensible and informed decisions about their future. To maximise the impact of the event, we would encourage you to have a conversation with your child both before and after the event to embolden them to start the process of thinking about life after GCSEs, enabling us both to work together in tailoring effective careers information and guidance to meet the needs of your child's aspirations. Please don't hesitate to contact me on my email address jasminder.sanghera@wellingschool-tkat.org if you would like further information.

Yours faithfully

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