

21st March 2019

Dear parent/carer,

Year 10 Immersion Day – Tuesday 26th March 2019

As you may be aware, on Tuesday 26th March 2019 we will be hosting our second immersion day of the year. For year 10 students, this will involve crucial activities that will be integral in developing their employability skills for 'life after Shenley'. Students will spend the day with a number of external visitors and their day will include the following:

Mock Interviews with KPMG: Shenley Academy's business partners KPMG Birmingham are sending a number of volunteers from their organisation to conduct one to one interviews with every year 10 student. As I am sure you can appreciate, this is an incredible opportunity to experience a 'no pressure' interview scenario with a professional, and receive personalised feedback and guidance on their performance. Students are also encouraged to bring a CV with them to receive constructive feedback. This opportunity takes a huge amount of organisation and is an experience students will find incredibly valuable as they will develop skills they will undoubtedly need for college, university and job interviews.

Prince's Trust 'Speak Out': The Speakers Trust are an organisation who specialise in unlocking potential through the power of communication. Their vision is for every young person to be able to speak confidently and learn the skills to communicate effectively. Again, it is imperative for our students to develop these self-presentation skills in order to communicate effectively both now and with future employers.

I am sure you will agree that the opportunities that we are providing for year 10 students on immersion day are invaluable, and whilst some students may feel daunted by the prospect of these activities, it is vital that they make the most of what is on offer in order to build their confidence for when they leave Shenley Academy.

As always, attendance is essential on immersion day, as with any other school day. Students have been informed in a recent assembly with Mr Davies that attendance on immersion day will play a part in who is selected for the upcoming rewards trips on the final week of the academic year. We appreciate your support in ensuring your child attends. Full school uniform should be worn for all year 10 students on this day and usual behaviour expectations apply.

Kind regards,

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