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### WELCOME...

Year 7

Welcome to the Year 7 Spring edition of the Future Choices newsletter.

We hope that you all had an enjoyable and restful Christmas holiday. The aim of the *Future Choices* newsletter is to keep you informed about careers education at St Edward's School, and also other issues around employability.

We would like to encourage parents and carers to talk with their children about the world of work and the endless opportunities open to them. Actively exploring their ideas helps to develop a young person's self-awareness and encourages them to appreciate the relevance of why it is important.

#### **Local Labour Market Information**

Below is an outline of the local labour market information for the South West region. This gives students and their families a clear outline of what is going on across the job and employment market across the South West region. Looking at information like this can be valuable for students as they begin to plot their own future.

# Careers Education in PSHE in Year 7

The main focus of careers education in PSHE in Year 7 is financial literacy and future planning. Financial literacy is all about teaching young people about making good and informed choices with money and is vital for preparing young people for their future in the real world.

Recently we have been working closely with "Young Money" to make sure that the advice and support that we offer our students is the best that it can be.

We have had three sessions this year. The first was based on thinking about what we mean by careers. The second enabled students to consider financial wants and needs, and the final session was about how to budget.







### Your child's development...

As we begin the Spring Term, how are you feeling as a parent or carer about your child's development? Secondary education is a time of significant transition, but that doesn't mean that childhood needs to be left behind. Learning for life is a joint enterprise between home and school, and we want to work with you to ensure that the unique God-given gifts that belong to your child are nurtured and encouraged as they grow.

You may not fully appreciate all that you can do to help your child's preparation for a successful life. As a school, we focus on helping a child to know themselves, what makes them 'tick'; as we believe that if we can put them in touch with their unique vocation, they are more likely to pursue a future career that is meaningful and rewarding for themselves. Your child's path is unique, and our careers programme will aim to support both you and your child to navigate the steps ahead as we move through their time at St Edward's.



## Useful resources for parents supporting their child, please click:

https://www.parentalguidance.org.uk/

https://www.dorsetlep.co.uk/dorset-cecvirtual-learning-resources

<u>www.website.network.st-</u> <u>edwards.poole.sch.uk/information/careers/</u>