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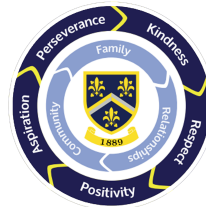
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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to announce that as part of our personal development programme on **9th September** all year 13 students will be engaged in a day of workshops delivered by Talk the Talk called Talk the Future.

The **Talk About The Future** workshop is an expertly led discussion and series of activities to support students to identify their own unique life experiences and skills and then develop their ability to use oracy to effectively articulate those experiences, skills and employability value.

At the end of this workshop students will be able to keep their workbook which will assist them in updating their CV, UCAS application and preparing for upcoming interviews.

'We demonstrate that speaking out should be an experience that we CAN do – and one that is nowhere near as daunting as we might think. One of the keys to the success of the Talk The Talk programme is creating an environment of mutual respect with a supportive ethos so that when students stand up and voice their opinions, share their thoughts and present their ideas – their skill and confidence grows'

Talk The Talk

During the workshop the students will:

- Talk about their life experiences and translate these into a defined set of unique skills
- Talk about their plans for moving on - and how confident they feel about this
- Learn about preparing for an interview and appropriate communication during an interview
- Prepare a set of open questions and undergo a mock interview as both an interviewer and interviewee
- Explore the impact of personal anecdotes within the interview situation
- prepare for and undergo a mock interview with their retainer and peers

To support the costs of this valuable event, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £20 per student by Friday 4th September via ParentPay. As I am sure you are aware, events like these do incur expenses and, whilst we do subsidise this event, if we do not receive support through your contributions we are unable to proceed with rewarding enrichment and interactive learning activities such as these.

To learn more about Talk The Talk's work visit them at: www.talkthetalkuk.org

Yours sincerely,

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Director of Sixth Form

