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In all things faithful

Dear Parents / Carers,

A reminder that our independent Careers Service, Positive Steps, is available to Y11 leavers, every weekday and offer information, advice and guidance on careers as well as concerns about finance, housing and employment. Office hours are 9am–4.30pm. Our school contact is Ms. D. Graham. The Careers Helpline is 0800 484 0407 / 0161 621 9292. Alternatively, you can email: tamesidecareers@positive-steps.org.uk or go to the website: www.positive-steps.org.uk.

Please find below some updates from our Post 16 Providers and colleges that have been sent into school since Easter.

Loreto College

Each student has been contacted individually and reassured that their offer of a place at Loreto is still available to them and secure. Students have been referred to the courses page of the College website where they will find 'Year 11 preparation for Study at Loreto College'. Each subject sheet has a range of activities, tasks, research and wider reading that will best prepare them to become Loreto students. A link to the page: <https://www.loreto.ac.uk/year-11-preparatory-work-for-study-at-college/>.

All courses will be finalised at enrolment after students have been awarded their GCSE results. Should Y11 students have any further queries, please use the 'contact us' function of the website or email office@loreto.ac.uk.

Oldham Sixth Form College

Oldham Sixth Form College have set up a 'School Student' section on their website for Y11 pupils: <https://www.osfc.ac.uk/school-students/>. This page includes important information applicants as well as bridging materials/reading lists for the courses they are looking to study with them from September.

Oldham Sixth Form College are also running their annual 'Progress to Success' evening virtually on Wednesday 29 April 2020. The video will be uploaded to YouTube and can be accessed via this link: <https://www.osfc.ac.uk/progresstosuccess>. This event will be beneficial for both Year 11 and Year 10 students and their parents, to find out more about OSFC and what they offer. They plan to leave the video accessible on their website for the foreseeable future so it can be watched whenever is convenient.

Apprenticeships - RAF

The RAF are actively recruiting across multiple apprenticeship roles. Y11 leavers are eligible to apply for these immediately. If a student has questions, please look at the Instagram page: [@rafcareersmanchester](https://www.instagram.com/rafcareersmanchester). There are opportunities for continued support from apprenticeship entry to degree level. Positions are available in Engineering, Logistics, Catering, Air Operations & Personnel support.

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PwC [PricewaterhouseCoopers]

PwC have created an Employability Hub for Y11 leavers. It is the second largest professional services firm network in the world and is considered one of the Big Four accounting firms. Students will find useful virtual tools to support them develop key employability skills. Advice is given on applications and online assessments, interviews, how to engage with employers and career matching. Please click on the following link: <https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/school-jobs/employability.html>.

Routeways into Adult Social Care

Information on pathways into adult social care has been published on the following link: <https://sfca.re/2Veuu3X>. This includes information on apprenticeships, traineeships, sector routeways and the graduate programme.

I hope you will find that the above information is of interest.

Yours sincerely,

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