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Dear Parent / Carer

Developing The Young Workforce Careers Evening (S2, S4, S5 and S6 pupils)

We would like to invite you and your child to our Developing the Young Workforce careers information evening on Thursday 14 November from 6.30-8.00pm.

The aim of the evening is to provide a unique opportunity for pupils to meet practitioners from a variety of careers and attend talks from current professionals and industry experts. By attending this event, pupils will gain a clear understanding of what specific jobs involve and a realistic insight into the world of work. This will enable them to consider a range of options for their future subject choices and career paths from a more informed viewpoint.

Format of the evening

The speakers will deliver brief presentations about their careers, including:

- Their typical day
- A brief overview of their job
- Their career journey – qualifications / experience / school subjects / work experience
- Skills and qualities required for their job
- The positives and negatives of their job

A summary of speakers attending is attached to help you encourage your son/daughter to select presentations of interest. Please be aware of the following:

- You **must select three presentations** to attend from the range of speakers provided
- Speakers will present information in 10 minute slots followed by an opportunity to answer questions
- Presentations will commence at 6.40pm, 7.00pm and 7.20pm in various locations across the school. Please arrive promptly at 6.30pm to ensure you get to your first location on time.
- From **7.40pm to 8.00pm the speakers will be available in the Open Area** to give pupils and parents an opportunity to ask further questions or find out more specific information

Signing up

To register attendance and choose the three presentations you wish to attend with your child, please visit <https://mearnscastle.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> OR click on the link on the school website. This online booking system will be open from 25 October to 8 November.

Select DYW Careers Event and login with the following information:

Student's First Name: "Known As"

Student's Surname: "Surname"

Student's Date of Birth: "Day/Month/Year"

Select the three presentation slots you wish to attend – please ensure you choose one presentation from each of the different time-slots

Spaces at this exciting event will fill up quickly for some speakers, so please book online as soon as possible. Due to space limitations, you will only be able to book two places for each of the three presentations you select.

If you have any questions, or would like any further information about this event, please contact Laura McCafferty by phoning the school office.

We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Yours faithfully

Dean Smith
Head Teacher