

Friday, September 22, 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Following a successful start to year 11, I wanted to update you on our plans to support your child through applying for their next steps at the end of their time with us at Flegg.

After completing their GCSEs, all students are expected to remain in education or employment with training (for example an apprenticeship) until they are 18. I would like to detail the support we will be giving your children over the course of the year to help them make the decisions that will affect their future.

Most importantly, students should visit the colleges or placements that interest them most. We would expect all students to have applied to at least one college by Christmas, even if they plan to apply for an apprenticeship as a backup option. We have listed all the open days and evenings of the colleges at the end of this letter.

At the start of this academic year, all year 11 students have been given access to the www.helpyouchoose.org website. This website is run by Norfolk County Council and has provision for students to apply to any college course within the county (and some places further afield) with just one application. We strongly encourage students to use this for their applications as the website has a range of careers advice, information on all the courses and it enables us to track their applications and support them.

In addition, we have invited the colleges that have been most popular in recent years to deliver assemblies to our students. We have had Sir Isaac Newton East visit already and this week we welcome East Coast College and City College Norwich who will also talk about Paston and Easton & Otley Colleges. Finally, on the 6th October, East Norfolk Sixth Form college will be in school. There will also be some optional sessions with colleges with more specialist focuses, for example Access Creative.

In February, we will be inviting Eve Harrison, a Pathways to Work Advisor from Norfolk County Council to come and talk to our students. She visited the Academy in the summer to talk to the students about Apprenticeships and T-Levels and she will be following up this work by supporting interested students to register on the apprenticeship website and start their applications.

We have an Independent Careers Advice and Guidance Counsellor, Ms Watson who works with students on Thursdays. We have prioritised these appointments according to need, however, if your child would appreciate careers advice, please contact me or Mr Bending. Furthermore, if your child knows what they would like to do but needs support with their application, we can offer this through Mrs Aldous, our librarian.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Guy

Mr Guy
Assistant Principal for Curriculum

East Norfolk Sixth Form College

Saturday 23rd September 9-12

Thursday 12th October 4-7pm

East Coast College

Saturday 7th October Lowestoft 10-2

Saturday 14th October Gt Yarmouth 10-2

Wednesday 8th November Lowestoft 5-7

Thursday 9th November Gt Yarmouth 5-7

Sir Isaac Newton East (Great Yarmouth)

9th October 5-7pm

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Thursday 9th November 5.30

Paston College

Thursday 28th September 7pm

Saturday 11th November 10am-1pm

Easton College

Friday 13th October 7.30pm

Access Sport (Lowestoft)

Thursday 28th September 6.30pm

Access Creative (Norwich)

Saturday 4th November 11am-2pm

Saturday 2nd December 11am-2pm

Tuesday 27th February 6pm-8pm

Saturday 20th April 11am-2pm

Tuesday 25th June 6pm-8pm

Sir Isaac Newton Norwich

Wednesday 11th October 5.30-8.30pm

Tuesday 17th October 5.30-8.30pm

Jane Austen College Norwich

Wednesday 27th September 5.00-7.00pm

Wednesday 11th October 5.00-7.00pm