

RE: ASPIRE Day 5 March

23 February 2024

Dear Parent /Carer

As part of our Careers Education Advice and Guidance programme we will be celebrating National Careers Week, Monday 4-8 March 2024. This will involve lessons having a careers focus and our staff sharing their career journey. We would like to ask for your support in also talking about careers, jobs and skills with your child at home as this is an important part of their careers development. Attached is a second letter with details of how to access the Unifrog careers platform at home so you can support your child's career journey.

Our **ASPIRE day** on Tuesday 5 March has the theme of exploring possibilities and we have several exciting opportunities planned. Please find below a summary of our ASPIRE day plans:

Year 7	Subject specific careers lessons, Introduction to Unifrog our careers platform and skills builder
Year 8	Subject specific careers lessons, opportunity to explore Unifrog our careers platform and skills
	builder further
Year 9	Talk from Kingston Maurwood College, Talk from Bournemouth University and opportunity to
	use Unifrog and complete a labour market information activity
Year 10	Talk from Kingston Marwood College, Talk from Bournemouth University, Bid to Build skills
	builder challenge day and 1 group of 30 to complete speak about public speaking workshop
Year 11	Talk from Bournemouth University, Rockley Academy. CV's, Interview skills sessions, mock
	interviews from our year 12 students
Year 12	Business Breakfast networking event, Financial skills workshops, Independent cooking skills,
	mock interview preparation
Year 13	Independent study reading day, 6 th Form teachers will set tasks to complete at home. Student
	leadership team will attend and support the ASPIRE day

Our ASPIRE days compliment our existing careers programme as all of our students have had careers assemblies and careers sessions during tutor time this term using both Unifrog and skills builder resources.

Skills Builder focuses on developing the eight key skills required for the future. These are:

These eight essential skills underpin success in education, enterprise and employment.



You are also able to work on developing these skills at home using the Homezone sign up on the link below:

Homezone | Skills Builder

There will be a further ASPIRE day on 9 July 2024 and we will be hosting a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) Industry day with several employer and provider workshops planned to ensure your child encounters a variety of careers opportunities.

Please do contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding ASPIRE day or your child's careers provision using my email: Vicky.woodings@thebourneacademy.com

Yours sincerely

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