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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Year 11 Careers Week – Monday 2 February to Friday 6 February 2026

I am pleased to share details of our upcoming **Year 11 Careers Week** at **Vyners School**. This week is designed to give students meaningful opportunities to explore post-16 and post-18 pathways, develop employability skills, and build confidence for their next steps.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have volunteered to support the week, particularly with the mock interviews and careers provision. Below is an overview of the week so you can discuss each day's activities with your child.

Please note: students are **not required to wear full school uniform on Wednesday 4 February (Mock Interview Day)**. Students should wear **smart clothes** where possible. **Please do not purchase new clothing for this day** — students may choose to wear their school uniform **without a tie or blazer**.

Before half term, all Year 11 students will also receive a **1:1 next-steps meeting** with a member of the **Senior Leadership Team or Sixth Form Team**, to support them with decisions about next year.

Day & Date	Main focus	What students will do	How you can support at home
Monday 2 February	Thinking about next steps	Careers Week assembly and staff careers journeys. Students will also complete a short activity to reflect on their interests and possible pathways.	Ask your child which careers inspired them and what they learnt about different routes into work and further study.
Tuesday 3 February	First impressions & interview skills	A talk on post-16/KS5 options, followed by an interview skills session during lessons to prepare for the mock interviews.	Help your child practise introducing themselves, speaking clearly, and explaining strengths, experiences and interests.
Wednesday 4 February	Mock Interview Day	Students will take part in 1-to-1 mock interviews with external employers and receive feedback to build confidence and employability skills.	Encourage your child to reflect on feedback and, if possible, bring a printed CV. Remind them to arrive smartly dressed and on time.

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Thursday 5 February	Apprenticeships Day	Students will explore apprenticeships through talks and a guided research task, including how to find opportunities and what employers look for.	Talk through the pros/cons of different routes (A Levels, vocational courses, apprenticeships) and explore opportunities together.
Friday 6 February	Sixth Form Day	Students will hear from the Sixth Form/Executive Team and attend our Sixth Form Subject Fair , led by Year 13 students, to learn about subject choices.	Ask your child which subjects appealed to them and what entry requirements and combinations suit their future plans.

We are confident that Careers Week will inspire and support our Year 11 students as they make important decisions about their future.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best regards,



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