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Careers Manager:

I have the role of Careers Co-ordinator for Year 7-11 at St Peter's School. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require help or guidance with careers planning for your child or if you have any feedback about how we can offer further support with Careers, Education, Advice, Information and Guidance.

We also welcome parents who would like to contribute to our careers programme by offering insights into particular career paths and occupations.

I look forward to working alongside you to ensure your child is fully prepared to make the most of the opportunities available for their future career.

Next *Future Insights* bulletin for Parents and Carers: Spring Term 2017.

Investors in Careers



Following the exciting news that St Peter's School has achieved Stage 2 of the Investor in Careers award, the school is

now moving towards gaining the full award in 2017. This is another demonstration of St Peter's commitment to impartial and independent careers education and advice to all our students.

All students have received a presentation early in the academic year explaining their full entitlement to Careers Education over their years at St Peter's.

Welcome to the Christmas edition of our Future Insights bulletin. The bulletin is designed to provide information regarding the content and nature of Careers Education, Advice, Information and Guidance at St. Peter's School, as well as giving you ideas as to how to support your child's careers planning at home.



Whilst your child has just taken their first steps on their journey through St. Peter's School, it is never too early to start thinking about the opportunities and pathways which lay ahead.

Each year group follows a Careers programme designed to develop knowledge and skills to enable effective careers planning. In Year 7, the careers focus is on guiding students to learn more about the person that they are now and the person they aspire to be in the future. This includes identifying the skills they already have and those that they need to develop in a rapidly evolving economy. We achieve this through activities in tutor time, lessons in PHSE and the Chaplaincy Team's "Empty Vessels".

Empty Vessels is a dedicated Year 7 deep learning experience run by the Chaplaincy Team. It is designed to help students further their understanding of themselves, their spirituality and their potential. 'Empty Vessels' helps students strengthen their understanding of the links between spirituality and the curriculum, and in going so they gain valuable skills for the future.

Skills Audit

Communicating with others: speaking, listening, writing, reading

Punctuality

Working in a team

Reliability and excellent attendance

Willingness to Learn

Problem Solving

Enthusiasm

Perseverance

Being Organised

Using Numbers

Evidence of these skills

Over the next few years, students should aim to develop evidence that demonstrates they have a wide range of key skills.

An example of this is communication and teamwork which can be demonstrated through various sports undertaken in P.E., together with tutor group and after school activities.

Perseverance can be demonstrated through raising attainment grades in a specific subject, having 100% attendance rate at school or perhaps learning a musical instrument. Students should be prepared to talk about how they are developing their skills for life and the evidence they can use to demonstrate them.



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Discover
Your
Future

Check out www.plotr.co.uk

Follow the instructions to register, then play the game to find a career which is just right for you!

There are many Careers Education, Advice, Information and Guidance website and computer programmes available to assist students with planning their futures. They will get many opportunities to explore these over their time at St Peter's School, but I would like to take this opportunity to highlight two particular internet resources: Plotr and Advisor Online.

Plotr is one of the most popular online careers programmes for young people and has helped millions of students to explore the many different career opportunities open to them. It's used by hundreds of schools nationwide and is an accurate, relevant and easy to use resource.

Students will have the opportunity to explore Plotr early in 2017, but you can access the programme at home using the log in information above.

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Our dedicated Ansbury careers advisor is Mr Bob Ainsworth. Students get the opportunity of a one-to-one interview with him throughout KS4, but should your son or daughter have a specific question for him now, he is available in the Library on a Tuesday and Wednesday breaktimes.



Why not give Plotr or Advisor Online a try today? It's a great way to find out about different careers, assess interests, find out what qualifications can help and even what salary might be paid for a particular job.

Advisor Online

<http://advisoronline.ansbury.co.uk>

St Peter's School login is (all lower case, no gaps):

- Username: hotel99
- Password: hotel99

Live Web Chat with qualified Ansbury Careers Advisors:

- 12 - 2 and 4 - 6pm Monday to Thursday
- 12 - 2pm Friday

