Dear Parent/carer

**Careers Programme**

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know about some of the bespoke careers provision we have out in place for your child. We have created a careers aspirations group in year ten. This group has been selected because of their attainment both at primary school and potential they have shown while at St Josephs. We wanted to give them a tailored programme of careers support to help them with choice about post 16 and beyond. Providing them with the tools to access University places and higher level apprenticeship.

As part of this programme they have been given additional careers advice and will take part in 5 mentoring sessions led by Newcastle University. We are also hoping to arrange a trip to a local University if local restrictions allow.

As part of the mentoring programme students may be asked to take part in surveys to collate their information about the impact of the sessions. The decision about whether they participate in the surveys is yours. Your child will be informed that taking part in the surveys is optional. All survey responses will remain confidential, and individual’s responses will not be shared with school staff. However, information based on the results of the group of participants will be provided.

Would you please be able to fill out this form if you consent to your child taking part in the optional surveys. <https://neucp.glasscubes.com/form/83152ff2-68ab-4871-8925-dce933aa3fc7>

This programme will complement the wider careers in school. This year this will include:

Registration onto Unifrog- an online research platform

PSHE sessions about post 16 choices

The start of 1:1 careers interviews

Careers Fair in July

Work Experience

Careers in subjects weeks each term

If you want to find out any further information about careers please look at the section on our website <http://www.stjosephs.uk.net/school-life/careers-programme/> or contact lewis-dales@stjosephs.uk.net.

Yours

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