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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 pupils look to the future

We have reached the point in the school year for pupils in Year 10 to consider the options available to them when they leave Springfield.

Colleges are now running open evenings and we encourage families to attend. An open evening can be a useful way of getting to know a campus and to get a feel for what it would be like to study there.

Springfield is committed to bringing post-16 providers into school, so that pupils are aware of what is available locally. This term, we have already welcomed apprenticeship providers on 6 February and Oaklands Catholic Sixth Form College on 8 February, and have invited UTC Portsmouth in to present their Sixth Form courses in assembly on 14 March. Other local colleges and apprenticeship/training providers will be invited over the course of the coming terms.

Pupils are encouraged to apply for more than one college/course. Here are some useful links for families to explore:

City of Portsmouth College	https://www.city-of-portsmouth-college.ac.uk/
Havant and South Downs College	https://www.hsdac.ac.uk/
Chichester College	https://www.chichester.ac.uk/
Fareham College (part of the South Hampshire College Group)	https://www.fareham.ac.uk/
Peter Symonds College	https://psc.ac.uk/
Barton Peveril College	https://barton-peveril.ac.uk/
Oaklands Catholic Sixth Form College	https://www.oaklandscatholicschool.org/sixth-form/
UTC Portsmouth Sixth Form	https://www.utcportsmouth.org/sixthform-curriculum
NHS Apprenticeships	https://hiow350careers.nhs.uk/post-16/apprenticeships/
PETA - local technical and business apprenticeships	https://www.peta.co.uk/9/418/apprenticeships
Steve Willis - gas and electrical apprenticeships	https://stevewillis.com/apprenticeships/programmes/
The government's database of apprenticeships	https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship
Military Mentors	https://www.militarymentors.co.uk/



Springfield supports pupils by providing personal careers advice. We have engaged an independent careers advisor from the Education and Business Partnership, Sarita Khosla-Malhotra. She is on site on Thursdays and Fridays and is based in the school library. We aim for all pupils to be seen 1:1 by Sarita before they go on study leave in Year 11. If your child is ready to have an appointment, he or she should go to the school library to request one. Pupils can also seek support from their Form Tutor or year office staff.

Yours sincerely

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