

Date: 2nd June 2017



Dear Parent/Carer,

DHS Parent Council Careers Fair – Tuesday 13th June, 6.30 to 9.00pm

The Parent Council in conjunction with the school would like to invite you and your young person to our first parent led careers fair. There is a wealth of experience and job diversity available within Dunblane and with this in mind we have arranged for around fifty parent volunteers to come along and share their experiences. The aim of the fair is to give our current S3/4 (moving to S4/5) pupils the opportunity to:

- Understand different types of careers in different industries
- Identify the key skills required to be successful in specific careers

Format

6.30 Presentations from **five parent volunteers** in the Murray Hall:

Tony Stanger	Sport Talent & Coaching Consultant / Owner
Geraldine Kelly	Consultant Anaesthetist
Alex Goodfellow	MD Stewart Milne
Julie Murdoch	MD Good Branding Consultant
Stewart Sheridan	Property Consultant / Owner

7.30 Stalls set around the main Atrium, representing some of the many careers available. Parents and young people will be able to speak to the volunteers on a one-one basis, asking questions about their career path and what their job involves.

9.00 Close

Guidance for pupils on how to prepare for the Careers Fair

Prior to attending, work out what you want from the careers fair.

CHECK OUT WHO IS ATTENDING. Use your time wisely and meet the people who are most relevant to you. Look at the list at the bottom of the page and make up a top 10 list of who you would most like to speak to. Figure out how much time you'll have to speak to each person. Try not to monopolise any of the volunteers – keen is good, overbearing isn't!

QUESTIONS. Write down in advance a list of questions that you want to ask. Examples:

- What does their average day look like?
- What do they enjoy about working in their industry?
- How often have they changed jobs?
- What hours do they work?
- What was their first year at work like? Did it meet their expectations?
- What are the key changes or trends within the industry/profession?
- On the other hand, questions to **avoid**, “How much do you earn?”

People love organised types. Bring a notebook and a pen.

AFTER THE FAIR make time to reflect on all the information you've gathered. Think about how you will use this to make future subject, work experience and career choices. The first school work experience week is usually held in the November of S5.

To participate in the fair please send an email to dhsparentcouncil90@gmail.com , before Friday, 9th June, confirming you and your child's name, including registration class.

Please can you ensure that on the night you arrive on time, as there is no access to the Murray Hall while volunteers are presenting.

CAREER INFORMATION STALLS¹

MEDICAL	ENGINEERING	SCIENCE	CREATIVE SERVICES
Dental Nurse	Civil Engineer	STEM Ambassador	Marketing Branding Consultants
GP	Chemical Engineers	Forensics	Film Maker
Surgeon	Network Rail Engineer	Pharmaceutical Manufacturing CEO	Graphic Designer
Anaesthetist			
Nurse			
Physiotherapist			
Pharmacist			
Veterinary Surgeon			
Medical Sales Rep			
SPORT	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	EDUCATION	CONSTRUCTION
Active Stirling Co-ordinator	HR Systems	Language Tutor	Planning
Active Stirling Apprentice	IT Director / Financial Serv	Primary Teacher	Surveyors
Talent & Coaching Cons	Telecommunications Client Support	Secondary Teacher	Property Consultant
Taekwondo business owner	Head of Core Architecture		Architect
			Trade
			MD of a national Homebuilding Company
LAW	EMERGENCY SERVICES	FINANCE	
Criminal Lawyer	Fire	Accountant	
General Lawyer	Police	Actuary	
Insurance Lawyer	Traffic Police	Head of HR Operations	
		Recruitment	
		Human Resources	
		Project Manager	

We look forward to seeing you.

Yours Sincerely

Lorraine Thompson – *‘Community and Fundraising’*

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¹ These are confirmed, but there may be more on the night.