

## Careers Information for Students in Year 11-13

"What happens now that School has closed?"

"How do I plan for my future, career and next steps?"

Hello to you all! It's Jo (NewMango)- Careers Adviser from School.

Firstly, I hope you are all staying well and looking after yourselves and others.

Secondly, I want to reassure you that I am still working with you and school to support you with your plans and ambitions for the future, even though school is closed.

Some of you are planning to stay at school for Post 16, or may have applied to a college, apprenticeship, internship or have another plan. Some of you have not yet applied or decided- whatever stage you are at- we carry on with the plan!

I will continue to help and support you to find out what is available and help in making decisions and plan for September 2020 and beyond.

How will I do this? by Phone, Text, Email- my details are at the bottom of this letter.

What happens now? Questions you may have:

"Will I ever get to do my exams?"

We know that exams will not happen in May/June 2020. We are still wating to hear how you will be graded. Your tutors will let you know as soon as we have this information.

"If not, will I have to take them some other time?"

This may be possible, again, we will let you know when we know. If you have applied to a college, sixth form or apprenticeship, you will have the opportunity to take Maths and English alongside your chosen course- but the key thing is, you will get a grade and you will get a chance to sit Maths and English again- if needed.

"Will I still be able to do the course I want to do at college?"

Yes! All the entry requirements to get into college will remain the same as those that we have always talked about- the colleges will be more flexible but remember- it is about the course being right for you and your next step.

"What happens if I had a 'conditional offer' based on the grades that I was expected to achieve?"

The colleges will be in touch with you by email or post over the coming months. I will get updates and will pass information on to you. Colleges may have to change their plans over the coming months due to the coronavirus situation. You will be informed of any changes.

"I haven't had my interview yet, but I have applied- what happens now?"

Keep checking emails and ask me or school. The latest information we have is: City of Bristol College are interviewing over the phone, Boom Satsuma by Google Meet (video call) and SGS College are offering places without interviews. If you have a date for an interview, please get in touch and we will find out more for you- also check your emails.

"I haven't applied yet, is it now too late?"

No, it is not too late- the Colleges want you to apply. Please talk to me and we can arrange the application- I can support you with this- all colleges have info on their website.

"Will there be any apprenticeships available?"

Yes. If you are wanting to find an apprenticeship, this is something that you can be doing as part of your home learning- CV writing, applications etc. Again, let me know so I can support you and send you information.

"What will happen in September- how will I know what to do and how to get ready for college?"

Over the next few months, we will plan with you, your parents and carers and your tutors at school with what you will need to do to get ready for the next step.

Websites that you can use for careers learning-please keep up with career research!

Career Pilot- www.careerpilot.org

Prospects: www.prospects.ac.uk

Success at School: www.successatschool.com

Apprenticeship search- <a href="https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship">https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship</a>

No one could have ever expected this situation to happen. It is important that you focus on how you can keep your routines around learning and life, being at home and trying to relax.

I will be in contact with all Year 11 - 13 students to discuss your individual progression plan, what your next steps are.

Everyone wants you to succeed and move on happily, healthily and positively to the next step- I am here to help!

Please get in touch if you or your parents/carers have ANY questions- or to say hi!

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Take Care and speak soon......

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