



ORMISTON DENES ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 11 Transition

As we work together to support Year 11 students transition to the next stage of their education, I wanted to let you know of some of the support that is available to them.

Both East Coast College and East Norfolk Sixth Form are planning to engage students in work to prepare them for starting their course in the next academic year. They will be contacting students directly and I will also email students and post links on social media as soon as they are available. If your son/daughter has a place at a different college, you may like to contact them directly to ask what support is on offer.

It is important that students remain engaged with their education, and develop new skills during the challenging circumstances of the coronavirus lockdown. It is likely that future employers will think it a good interview question to ask how students made the best use of their time during lockdown. With this in mind it would be a good idea to keep a journal of the skills they are acquiring, such as improving their fitness, helping elderly or vulnerable relatives, online learning, new skills such as cooking, shopping, housework or engaging with course content provided by their prospective college. There are many more examples of how young people can use this time to their advantage and I'm sure they will have a lot of their own ideas.

There is a wide range of information on our website at www.ormistonden.es/academic/careers.

We have Fast Tomato Careers Guidance software available at www.fasttomato.com and the school password is DNHL. This programme asks a series of questions and suggests suitable careers for the students with links to videos that give an insight through real people talking about the job in question.

In addition, I am available by email to answer questions or can arrange to speak on the telephone. I will also be posting regular, relevant information on social media so please follow me @cballtogether and the Ormiston Denes Academy Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/OrmistonDenes/> and Twitter <https://twitter.com/home> pages to stay up to date with resources to support young people.

Yours faithfully

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