

January 2025

Dear Families,

Re: Year 11 Mock Interview Day

I am delighted to inform you that we have organised a mock interview day for our Year 11 students, providing them with a unique opportunity to gain valuable experience and feedback on their interview techniques and CVs. Every student will participate in a one-to-one mock interview with an employee from the local branch of **Driver Hire**, a national leader in recruitment.

This event is an invaluable chance for students to develop their confidence and communication skills, helping to prepare them for future steps in education, university, or their career paths. We are extremely grateful to the employees of Driver Hire for generously volunteering their time and expertise to support our students.

Date of the Event

The mock interviews will take place on Thursday 6 February 2025.

Preparation

To make the most of this opportunity, students are required to submit a completed CV to their form tutor by **Friday 31 January 2025.** This will allow the interviewers to provide personalised and constructive feedback on both the interview and the CV. We encourage you to support your child in ensuring their CV is ready and handed in on time.

Interview Focus Areas

The mock interviews will cover a range of topics to help students reflect on their experiences, skills, and aspirations. Areas they may be questioned on include:

- Their personal background, education, and future goals.
- Work experience, volunteering, or extracurricular activities.
- Problem-solving and teamwork examples.
- Strengths, areas for improvement, and ambitions for the future.
- How their skills align with employability and career aspirations.

These topics are designed to give students a realistic insight into professional interviews and to help them develop their responses in a supportive environment.

Dress Code

Students are encouraged to wear business attire for the day to replicate a professional interview environment. If there are any concerns about this, then please contact Mr Yale (<u>jyale@dixonsca.com</u>).

We are confident this day will be a meaningful and impactful experience for all students, helping them to grow and prepare for their futures.

Thank you for your support in encouraging your child to make the most of this opportunity. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours Faithfully,

Mr J Yale Assistant Principal