## **Careers – Parents Area**

Education can sometimes feel complicated for parents and carers. Whilst we have all been to school when we were younger, the educational landscape has changed with new qualifications and career paths being offered for our children once they finish their GCSEs.

During their time at EOTAS, your children will have to make a number of decisions that will influence the course of their futures. They will ask themselves:

- What subjects should I take at GCSE?
- What do I enjoy studying?
- What are my skills and talents that I can use in the future?

As parents and carers, your children will call upon you for help and advice; they will want your input on any decisions they make. At EOTAS we want to work with you to ensure that the students make informed choices, developing those skills and qualities that are prized by employers and that will help them on their future pathways.

You will have the opportunity to discuss future plans for you child on the following occasions:

- Curriculum review days where you will meet the form tutor and discuss their skills and qualities. Careers and Transitions will be a part of the conversation.
- Year 10 Option discussions where teaching staff will guide both you and students in relevant courses of study.
- The annual careers fair where students are given access to employers and colleges in order to make informed decisions moving forward.

The Key People involved in helping your child plan for their futures are:

- The Class Tutor who delivers the PDC Curriculum and is also the person who knows your student the best
- Our, trained, careers leads who will give individual advice and support to students in Year
  10 and 11
- The Careers lead who negotiates for your child's opportunities with outside agencies

In the student section you will find links to online resources that your child can use to help with careers education. Please explore these sites and contact us if you require support.