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Dear Parent/Carer

Exciting new educational resource

Last year all year 11 students registered onto 'Start', a fantastic online careers learning tool that is accessible anytime on computers, compatible mobile and tablet devices. It is designed to enable young people to make excellent choices about their future and provides them with a wide range of information about their future pathway options.

How should my child use it?

All new users will need to register to create an account the first time they use 'Start' (If your daughter has not registered please see the step by step instructions for how to do this overleaf). When learners log in they will be able to explore freely or they can take a tour. As part of our form time CEIAG (Careers, Education, Information, Advice and Guidance) programme students will use 'Start' to build a personal profile and explore their options post-16.

Your daughter will be able to personalise her profile with details about her skills, qualities, interests and work preferences and the system will generate suitable and appropriate job suggestions. She will then be able to map an educational pathway and see live job and apprenticeship vacancies.

Young people often find it difficult to think about their strengths. Sitting with your daughter and discussing her skills could be really helpful. You may also want to give her ideas about how to stand out from the crowd in order to get that dream job. Encourage her to rate jobs, qualifications and destinations so that staff can see preferences in order to offer further support.

What if I want to use 'Start' myself?

That's fine - as well as discussing job ideas and education routes with your child you are also welcome to find out more about job opportunities for yourself. We would, however, ask you not to log in using your child's user details and to instead register yourself using the same steps outlined below, choosing parent instead of student and creating your own username and password.

We hope all of our year 11 students will find this resource extremely useful over the next few months and in the future, and help them build a strong personal profile as well as investigating future post-16 pathways. For more information on 'Start' or the support available for your daughter, please contact Mr S Taylor or Mrs J Kelly at school.

Yours faithfully

Mr S Taylor
Subject Leader



How to register

Create a Start account by following these simple steps.

Go to www.startprofile.com and click **Register**



Enter your first name, surname and email address. Click **Next**

Tip: If you forget your user name or password we will use this email address to send you a reminder



Start typing the name of your school or college to find your establishment.

Select the **Student** check box and enter your registration code: [PRENTON]



Tip: Parents please select the **Parent** check box and use the same code

Select your gender, date of birth and current year group



Tip: Parents do not need to enter their date of birth or year group

Choose a memorable username and a secure password. Read and agree to the privacy policy and click **Submit**



Tip: User names need to be unique and memorable. Learners may want to use their school network log in details or email address as their username.



You are now ready to log in to Start. Click **Login** and enter your username and password. Users can request a reminder of their username or password by clicking **Forgot Username** or **Forgot Password**.

We hope you enjoy using Start! If you would like to offer any ideas for how to make the resource even better please send them to feedback@u-explore.com