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STOCKPORT SCHOOL

Headteacher Mr I. R. Irwin BA (Hons), MSc, NPQH

6th March 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of our Careers programme, I am pleased to offer an exciting opportunity for parents/carers and students to visit the annual Skills North West event held this year at Eventcity at Trafford Park on Wednesday 21st March. This event is organised by Skills England as one of only 4 large careers, jobs, skills and apprenticeship events held for 14-19 year olds and their parents across the country.

“Skills North West offers young people and their parents/carers the opportunity to discover careers through interactive, inspirational activities and demonstrations. The high level of interactivity exhibitors use to engage with the young people enables them to visually bridge the gap between what they enjoy doing and what they could potentially do as a career and the relevant training required. In addition to a wide range of exhibitors from across a range of sectors, the event will also have dedicated areas such as: a Careers Hub where young people can receive guidance on employability skills; the Skills Theatre where there will be a range of demonstrations happening throughout the event and the Skills Showcase where you can look at a selection of work produced by young people. There will also be a Live News Board where there will be live job/apprenticeship vacancies currently available from the exhibitors.”

For more details: <https://prospectsevents.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/SNW18-Parent-Mailer-digital.pdf>

This event is free to attend and the evening event is targeted at families from 4pm -6.30pm. No pre-registration is required and parents and children can drop in at any time. However, to support families with the transport arrangements, school would be happy to book a coach to accommodate approx. 20 families. To contribute to the transport cost, we would ask for a payment of £7 to include one parent/carers with their child. A few members of staff would join you so that we can all benefit from this experience. We would aim to leave school by 3.30pm and then on arrival at Eventcity, parents and children would be entirely free to follow their own agenda and then we would meet back at the coach for a 6.30pm departure.

If you and your child would like to book a place on our coach, please can you email me to make a provisional booking indicating the name of your child, their form and the name of the adult who will be attending:

b.schofield@stockport.stockport.sch.uk.

Once I can confirm the numbers which will be allocated on time and date of reply, I will email you to confirm your place and request the £7 payment to be made at the school office or through Wisepay. To make this event cost effective, I will obviously be dependent on numbers but hopefully we will have the interest to enable this trip to go ahead.

I look forward to hearing from you. Equally, if you intend to go to the Skills North West event independently as a family, I would be interested to know your feedback.

Kind regards,

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