

# The McAuley Catholic High School

A Catholic Voluntary Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

The McAuley Catholic High School continues to work in partnership with CareersInc – an external, independent and impartial careers guidance service – who will support your son/daughter to aim high in their career goals and aspirations.

Teachers in school and staff from CareersInc will support your son/daughter's career development in a number of ways including:-

- Information and discussion in lessons
- 1-1 meetings
- Assemblies to help them make decisions regarding their future
- Access to careers advisors in a variety of ways, including individual meetings, drop-in sessions and results days
- Careers information and IT based careers programmes
- Information and updates on noticeboards, plasma screens and websites
- Advice on [www.careersportal.co.uk/mcauleycatholichighschool](http://www.careersportal.co.uk/mcauleycatholichighschool)

Research has consistently shown that parents and carers are the most influential factor in students' decisions about the future. Your support and encouragement influences their choices, and the guidance you provide will be invaluable to their eventual achievements and career pathways. This might feel a little daunting but there are some very simple and practical steps you can take to support your son/daughter:-

- Talk to them about their current educational attainment and estimated grades and encourage them to aim high (the skills shortages of the future will be in higher level jobs)
- Discuss where they want to be and research how to get there (using resources in school and on the Internet)
- Encourage them to seek out the advice and experiences they need to help them achieve their goals
- Help them with the steps they need to take

I trust you will find this information useful, but if you do require any additional advice, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

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Careers Coordinator

