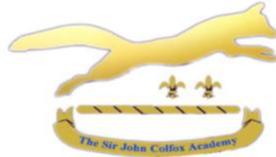


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Re. Leonardo Helicopters – Apprenticeship Program

Dear Parents

Today, students in Years 10, 11 and Sixth Form have been invited by email to attend an online TEAMS presentation being delivered by **Leonardo Helicopters** in Yeovil.

Katie Whitty will be delivering a presentation on **Leonardo's apprenticeship programme** on Tuesday 1 December at 4.30pm. Hopefully this gives students enough time to get home from school and log on.

As students reach the end of KS4 and GCSEs, they need to think carefully about their next steps. Apprenticeship routes will be the best pathway for many students wanting to get in to the workplace to gain experience and qualifications. A couple of years ago one of our students, Ben Cantrell, gained a place on the Leonardo Helicopters 'Degree Apprenticeship' – which is equivalent to going to university. He gets paid for his time, gains incredible experience and he gets a degree at the end. This is a fantastic achievement.

Katie will give a virtual presentation and explain about the application process. There will be a Q&A session afterwards and students will be able to talk to current apprentices about the program offered by Leonardos. I will be chairing the meeting, and on hand to help.

If students are interested in attending, they should check their school email and simply click on the 'join meeting' button contained in the email sent by me today (Tuesday 24th November) and **make sure they are online at 4.30pm on Tuesday 1st December**.

If required, this link takes students to the meeting: <https://tinyurl.com/y25hhzys>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With best wishes,



Adam Teasdale
Head of Sixth Form, Asst. Head