

27 September 2021

Dear parents and carers

Important Info for Wednesday's First Excellence Session

Our exciting Excellence Programme begins this **Wednesday**. Students had a good range of activities to broaden their horizons to choose from. We encourage them to embrace the opportunity to try something new and expand their experiences. Students will change topics each term (apart from Duke of Edinburgh which lasts all year) so they will have another opportunity to complete a different session later in the year.

Things to note:

- Students have been emailed their allocated activity and this information has also been posted on their Year Hub noticeboards
- Rooms and locations for each activity are listed on the Year Hub noticeboards
- Year 10 & 11 students must remember that the **Excellence lesson starts at 8.55am** and not 9.20am like it does for the alternate week when they have Personal Development
- If your child is doing **Duke of Edinburgh** or **Gym Fit** you will need to make the required payment on ParentPay
- If your child is doing **Bike-it**, they must remember to bring their bike to school on Wednesday and lock it securely in our bike sheds. These students may also wear trainers if they'd like to, and will need to remember a coat if the weather requires it
- All students should be in their normal school uniform EXCEPT those doing sports-based activities (**Futsal, Stoolball, Korfball, Gym Fit** and **Dance Leaders**) who can wear PE kit into school for the day
- Students doing **Woodland Walks** will need sensible shoes for walking and a coat if the weather requires it

The Excellence Programme when it ran previously was an enjoyable and worthwhile experience for students creating valuable opportunities for them to develop critical employability skills, including teamwork, creativity, and problem-solving. This really is a unique element of Carrington School and we are delighted to get it back up and running in its full capacity.

Best wishes

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