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NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK

Monday 3rd March – Friday 7th March

Dear Parents / Carers

Week commencing Monday 3rd March is Children's National Careers Week.

Throughout the week, the children will talk about and take part in activities to explore future opportunities and careers based on their current interests. The week is an opportunity to inspire and excite children based on many different career prospects.

It would be wonderful if, throughout the week, parents could come into school to share what their job is and what they do. **If you are able to come into school to share your experiences with the children, please email the school office stating what your job / role is.** It would be fantastic if we were able to offer experiences from a range of jobs such as health care, engineering, construction, armed forces, public sector workers, banking, etc.

In addition, Thursday 13th March, children in KS2 will be taking part in 'Step into NHS Day' The children will join the NHS Day livestream to give pupils the unique opportunity to meet NHS staff live, ask their burning questions and engage in a range of activities to boost careers learning. The children will also be invited to take part in the Step into the NHS competition. The competition encourages pupils from years 3-6 to explore the variety of diverse careers in the NHS and realise that anyone can do any job, regardless of their background. Pupils are tasked with choosing up to three different NHS jobs that really stand out and then telling us what they have learnt about them through a piece of artwork (painting, drawing or video for example) or writing (a poem, story or song).

The overall national winner(s) will win vouchers as well as other fantastic prizes. Overall national winner(s) will see their entry displayed in public for their local community to see. They'll also receive Amazon vouchers worth £50, a goody bag and a prize for their class! Regional winners will each receive an Amazon voucher worth £25 and a goody bag. All winners will receive certificates and have their entry featured on our online gallery.

We are looking forward to sharing exciting opportunities to inspire the future of our children.

Mrs Statham

Head of School

