

RCO/HWO

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Dear Parent/Carer

### Help your child to explore their future

As part of our commitment to prepare students for a rapidly changing world, I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents/carers and students that we are using an innovative online resource called **Start**.

**Start** will help your child to connect with their future career potential, develop their employability and help them to explore future career and study options at school or at home.

### How should my child use it?

If they haven't already created their own account for **Start**, please do this with them at home using the instructions below. The system is accessible to you anytime on computers and compatible mobile and tablet devices. Your child will personalise their profile on **Start** with details about their skills, qualities, interests and work preferences. This provides a starting point for them to explore information matched to their personal preferences and interests. As they update their profile, **Start** will personalise this information, helping them to navigate the thousands of jobs, courses, providers and opportunities available. **Start** will help students to understand where they are on their journey and what's important as they make their choices at GCSE, Post 16 and Post 18.

We encourage you to use **Start** with your child at home. Encourage them to rate jobs, qualifications, colleges or universities so that we can see their preferences in order to support them better.

### What if I want to use Start myself?

Parents/carers can also use **Start** to find out more about jobs, training and study opportunities for yourself. Please do not log in using your child's user details and instead register yourself using the steps outlined below, creating your own username and password.

For further information or support on **Start**, please create a parent account alongside your child's account and explore the system together. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours faithfully



Mr R Cooper  
Assistant Vice Principal

Success for today, prepared for tomorrow.



Go to [www.startprofile.com](http://www.startprofile.com) and click **Register**



Enter your first name, surname, email address, postcode and select your gender

**Tip:** If you forget your username or password we will use this email address to send you a reminder



Choose a memorable username and a secure password and click **Get Started**

**Tip:** Your username needs to be memorable. You may want to use your school network login or you can also use your email address



Click **Login** and enter your username and password. Click **Login**

The first time you log in you will be required to complete the following:



Select "**I am Studying in Education and would like to explore my career options**"



Start typing the name of your school or college to find your establishment.



Choose your Year Group and enter your registration code: **36417**

Click **Submit**



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Select **“I am a Parent and would like to use Start with my children.”**