

Dear Parents/Guardians

January 2024

'Take Your Daughter to Work Day' - 22nd March 2024

As many of you may already be aware, the **'Take Your Daughter to Work Day'** initiative has now been running successfully for a number of years. The event is designed to enable and encourage students to discover the range of work opportunities available to them and to begin thinking about how they might prepare themselves for work in the future, as a result of the work shadowing opportunities available. It is clearly a very valuable learning experience and one, which we feel, should be fully supported. Many employers have previously made it possible for parents to bring their daughters to work on this day and it is hoped that such co-operation will be extended this year.

Prior to 1999, KGGS had not offered any official guidance relating to this event; participation has mainly been a consequence of students' or parents' initiative. However, we felt that it was important to become more actively involved and so initiated a KGGS 'Take Your Daughters to Work Day', focusing on Year 8 as part of our developing curriculum of Work Related Learning. The response from parents has been very positive and all but a handful of students have been able to attend work with their parents. The students remaining in school follow a specially arranged programme.

Students in Year 8 are particularly suited for this experience for two main reasons: firstly, they are now well settled in their academic career and beginning to look forward to the choices they will be invited to make in the future; secondly, we are anxious to establish a more definite focus on Work Related Learning within this year group and are planning to dedicate time to this element within the Guidance programme during the spring and summer terms.

In order for this event to be successful, we obviously need the support of parents of students in Year 8 and would ask you to consider whether you would be able to arrange work-shadowing opportunities for your daughter on this day. Should this not be possible, might we suggest that the support of close family relatives be sought so that the maximum number of students are able to benefit from this experience. We would ask all parents of students in Year 8 to complete the attached Microsoft form link to confirm the details of any placements arranged, or to communicate that a placement is not available and as soon as possible. The return deadline is **6th February**. Microsoft Form Link: [Take Your Daughter to Work Day 22nd March 2024](#)

If you have any problems accessing the link you can complete the form at the bottom of this letter and email it into staffbholloway@kestevengrantham.lincs.sch.uk or it can be handed into the pastoral office.

Within school, it is hoped that we can again develop Work Related Learning opportunities and activities for Year 8 students not attending work placements, so that an equal entitlement can be ensured and would ask you to consider whether you could offer any assistance in this area, perhaps by visiting the school on this day to participate in a presentation or activity connected to a particular job or to the world of work more generally. If you would be able to help in this way, please contact myself.

We thank you for your support in this venture and look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely

Miss A Brady
Head of Year 8

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Reply Slip - YEAR 8 STUDENTS please return to Pastoral.
Return deadline – 6 February

*I/We *would/would not be able to offer a *work shadowing/fact-finding placement for *my/our daughter.
(* please delete as appropriate)

Student Name: _____ Form: _____

Name of family member to be accompanied: _____

Relationship to student: _____

Place of Employment: _____

Type of work to be shadowed: _____

Signed: _____ (parent/guardian) Date: _____

Thank you