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Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October is Da Vinci Academy's first inspiration day for the year. These days provide valuable opportunities to expand students curriculum and provide access to activities they may not normally take part in. For inspiration day 1 students will be taking part in the following activities:

**Year 7, Healthy body and Healthy minds.** Students will be taking part in activities that will support them in maintaining balanced and healthy lifestyles. The activities include healthy eating, mindfulness through music and art, keeping Physically active and personal hygiene with the Science team. **Students need to come to school in their Academy PE kit.** 

Year 8, Young Enterprise and STEM challenges. Students will be looking at different career choices and pathways, Alongside this they will be investigating earning potential of a range of different careers and how this has an impact of their future lives. In the afternoon students will take part in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) challenge's, while completing these challenges they will investigate the potential careers that support STEM.

**Year 9, Careers.** We have a number of local entrepreneurs and business owners, who will be sharing their journeys and experiences with students inspiring them to think about their future pathways. The afternoon is an enterprise challenge which will encourage students to explore ideas for their future careers. Part of the day will be delivered by Andy Margatt from Epic Gambling Awareness, Andy works with various groups around the country, including a premier league clubs sharing his lived experience of gambling harm and how students can protect themselves in the future.

**Year 10**: There are a variety of activities that students in year 10 students may be taking part in.

Geography students will be completing their compulsory fieldwork looking at urban environments, students need to ensure they have returned their permission slips prior to this trip.

There will be a group of students completing a STEM trip to Silverstone.

Those students not on fieldwork or trips will be working with Manny and Jason from Zebra Red for the 'Lessons in Hate' workshop

All students who are not on the STEM trip will also have part of the delivered by Andy Margatt from Epic Gambling Awareness, Andy works with various groups around the country, including premier league clubs sharing his lived experience of gambling harm and how students can protect themselves in the future.











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Year 11 will spend the day focusing on English and Maths, helping to prepare them for their mock examinations after half-term. They will spend half of the day in English, and the other half in Maths and, at the end of the day, there will be a quiz where they can re-visit the work they have done that day. Part of the day will be delivered by Andy Margatt from Epic Gambling Awareness, Andy works with various groups around the country, including premier league clubs sharing his lived experience of gambling harm and how students can protect themselves in the future. Year 11 students will have a slightly delayed start to the day and will start at 9AM.

We look forward to having a successful day with all our students, and anticipate them enjoying the sessions that have been prepared for them and being inspired for the future.

Yours faithfully

Mr N Wiles

Assistant Headteacher







