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Dear Parent / Carer

Support your child as they explore their future!

U-Explore is the independent and impartial careers platform that inspires young people about their futures and places them in control of their own learning and progression. Not only does your child now have access to U-Explore at school, they can also log on 24/7, wherever they have an internet connection, to access a wealth of exciting careers features, including over 2,000 written and video job profiles across 14 industry sectors, 360-degree Virtual Tours of real work environments and advice on how to apply for a college or university course, work experience placement or even a job.

How should my child use it?

There is no structured route through U-Explore. Your child can log on at any time for instant access to completely impartial information, advice and guidance that will help them to make informed choices about their future options. If your child has no idea where to start, they can begin their journey by searching by their favourite subjects, interests, their best skills and qualities or even the qualifications they are studying for.

You could sit with your child and discuss any thoughts they already have surrounding their future, encouraging them to make notes in the Notepad (found in the toolbar to the left of the page) or 'like' any jobs, qualifications, workplaces or learning environments that they are interested in. These preferences will be saved in your child's individual Profile, which can also be accessed from the toolbar to the left of the page.

What if I want to use U-Explore myself?

That's fine - many adults have used U-Explore to find out more about opportunities for themselves. We would, however, ask you not to log in using your child's user details as this affects the tracking data the school uses. Instead, please register yourself using the information below:

Go to www.u-explore.com and click the 'User Login' tab at the top of the page.

Click the 'Register' button.

1. Enter your personal details in the About You section
2. In the About Your Establishment section, select your child's school from the drop down list
3. Enter your child's school year and tick the 'Parent' box
4. In the registration code, enter: **39561**
5. Create a memorable username and password for yourself
6. Click 'Register' then log in using your new username and password and begin exploring!

What do I need to access U-Explore?

If you have access to a PC with broadband connection and Flash Player installed, U-Explore should operate with no issues.

The latest Flash player can be obtained from <http://www.adobe.com/uk> and click on the Downloads.

We hope that you and your son / daughter will enjoy using U-Explore to start thinking about and planning for the future.

Yours faithfully,

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