## CAREERS EDUCATION AND GUIDANCE AT RANGE: INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

The rapidly changing labour market means that good quality careers education and guidance is essential for young people in education. Employers are increasing looking for flexibility and transferable skills in their employees. Careers education and guidance at Range aims to help students to develop and to recognise some of these skills and to be able to communicate these skills to others.

## **Careers Education**

There is a comprehensive careers education programme which starts in Year 7 and carries on through to Year 13. The programme has three strands: self-awareness and development ,where students identify their own skills and qualities and work to develop these and learn new ones; career exploration where students become proficient in the use a variety of further and higher education and employment information from books and leaflets to websites and career management, which aims to equip students with the confidence and skills to manage and implement their own career decisions. All three strands are covered in each year group.

## **Careers Guidance**

Careers guidance interviews are carried out by a skilled and experienced Careers Adviser who visits school twice a week. All students will have a careers guidance interview during Year 11 but they do not have to wait until then. If you or your son or daughter thinks that a careers guidance interview would be useful, they can ask Ms Gooding, the school's Careers Co-ordinator, to arrange one at any time. Students will get the best out of a careers interview if they turn up having reflected on what they have learnt in their careers lessons. Students usually attend Careers interviews on their own but parents are welcome to attend with their son or daughter if they would like to.

For more information or if you have any questions, feel free to contact Ms Gooding at school.