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Dear Parents

As part of our on-going review of careers and higher education guidance that we offer here at Pitsford School, we are currently looking to ensure that we are meeting the Government's Career Strategy, summarised in the so-called Gatsby Benchmark targets.

The reason for my writing to you today is that I am currently exploring ways in which we can fulfil Gatsby benchmark 5 - encounters with employers and employees. As part of this benchmark, every pupil should have multiple opportunities to learn from employers about work, employment and the skills that are valued in the workplace. Furthermore, pupils should participate in at least one meaningful encounter with an employer every year between years 7-13.

I would very much like to hear from you if you are willing to come in to school and talk to a small group of pupils about your career - what your work entails, how you became interested in that area and what route you took (A levels, BTEC, degree etc.). These sessions need not involve any formal presentation, rather they are simply intended as a forum for pupils thinking of careers in your area to ask questions. Obviously, the times would need to suit you, but the usual slot during the week for PHSE/careers guidance is Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.15 to 10.35 or on Mondays after 4pm.

Please let me know if you can help, indicating of course what your career or line of business is.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Lewis

Head of Careers

Parent name and a small description of career:

Preferred time slot

- Monday 4pm
- Tuesday 10.15-10.35
- Thursday 10.15-10.35

Best contact number to arrange a date

