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Dear Parents/Carers

As part of our commitment to prepare our students for their future after education, we are using an exciting resource as part of their careers programme.

Start in Kent includes helpful information about jobs and career opportunities in our region as well as information about local education and training provision. It will support students on their journey towards the world of work, helping them to make informed choices about study options and be employment ready.

How will my child use this platform?

We will issue students with their login details or let them know how to create their own account. They will then use the platform during lessons and can also keep exploring at home.

It will help your child to:

- Use real-world labour market information to aid their career planning
- Discover what employers want from their future employees
- Make more informed education and training choices
- Build a digital profile to help with writing applications, CVs and preparing for interviews

How can I use the platform?

We encourage you to use **Start in Kent** with your child at home. Parents and carers can access the platform without the need to login but you can also create yourself an account for free.

To get started, please visit **kent.startprofile.com**

If you have any questions about the platform or the careers support available for your child, please contact Angela.Willis@themallingschool.kent.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

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