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Dear Parent / Carer,

S4/5/6 leavers

At this time of year many young people are considering their future and planning their next steps. It has been a challenging year because of the global pandemic and restrictions have impacted on both young people's progress and the number of opportunities available. To support young people both achieve and transition into a positive destination such as college or employment we have developed a variety of different supports. These include:

S4/5/6 Outreach

To ensure young people have the opportunity to complete courses, S4/5/6 are being offered small group or one to one sessions at Cummings Park Community Centre with direct teaching and the opportunity to complete assessments as required.

Northfield Academy SHMU Leavers Course

As an Aberdeen City Council Employability provider, SHMU are offering small group work to support young people make choices about their next steps. They also provide training and can support young people after they turn 16 years old. SHMU are part of the Aberdeen City Council No One Left Behind scheme which provides funding for young people to continue training post 16. This takes place every Thursday 1pm - 4pm at the Station House Media Unit in Woodside.

On this course you will use and develop skills through a variety of media activities, projects and challenges. These will be a mixture of group and individual projects linked to your own interests. You will learn different aspect of media in order to be able to complete these tasks; broadcast guidelines, how to plan and produce a radio show and/or podcast, how to film a short piece; planning and use of cameras and lighting, basic elements of scriptwriting and more. SHMU will support you to make best use of the device you have at home to create engaging, exciting and great quality media content. Throughout this course, you will be taken through employability training, looking at your new found media skills and learning how to promote them as transferable skills relevant to any workplace. By the end of the course you will have completed a level 3 in Media and Personal Development Award.

Aspire to be outstanding

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND (SDS)

SDS are a Scotland wide organisation who will advise and support your child to enter into a positive sustained destination. Northfield have a dedicated Careers Adviser and a Work Coach who work with young people in Northfield Academy. This support can be accessed directly through the details below:

If you would like to speak directly to the career adviser about how to support your child, the contact details are:

NATASHA FINLAY – CAREERS ADVISOR/WORK COACH

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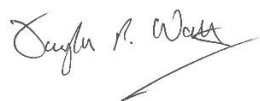
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Northfield Academy Positive Destination Website

For further information on the range of positive destinations available please visit the Northfield Academy website https://northfield.aberdeen.sch.uk/?page_id=94

If you would like to discuss any of these supports further please contact your child's Guidance Teacher.

Yours sincerely,



Douglas Watt
Head Teacher