Our Ref: KH/HC/cc/Diana Award Mentoring Programme

10th October 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Barr Beacon School

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Diana Awards - Mentoring Programme.

We are writing to advise you of the proposed arrangements for your child's completion of the Diana Award Mentoring Programme.

Currently, your child has already completed 6 of the 12 sessions required. In order for your child to complete the final 6 sessions in the least impactful way to their GCSEs, we have arranged for the organisation to come into school on **Tuesday 25th October 2022** which is in half term week. They will be supervised by Mrs Cornwall (Assistant Headteacher) throughout the day.

The Diana Awards Mentoring Programme works with schools and businesses to give young people an insight into the world of work and offer careers and citizenship skills training. Students are matched with a Mentor from the world of work, who work alongside the organisation's Youth Facilitator to guide the group of students through the programme. Mentors also support the students to plan a social action project around a topic in their community or globally, of which they feel passionate about.

The programme aims to:

- Improve post-secondary work readiness
- Instil active citizenship and youth-led social action
- Build character and resilience

The day will run from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm. Pupils will need to bring in their own lunch and breaktime snacks as there will be no catering services available. Pupils may also wear non-school uniform.

The day will run as follows:

Pupils will be looking at 2 different skills in the morning:

- Assessing your strengths
- Planning your future

Followed in the afternoon with pupils completing their social action project and then finally presenting their projects to their peers and Diana Award mentors.

If you consent to your child taking part in the Diana Award Peer Mentoring Programme, please can you complete the form attached via this link by Friday 14th October 2022 so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

If you would like any more information about the Diana Award and their programmes, please visit https://diana-award.org.uk/.

If there are any queries, please contact us postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk

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