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Dear Parents and Carers,

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Careers Support for Year 13

Year 13 is a crucial time for our students as they prepare for final exams and make important decisions about their future. During this year, they will begin applying for their next steps in higher or further education, apprenticeships or employment.

After completing Year 13, students may choose to:

- Attend higher education at a university.
- Attend a further education college.
- Pursue an apprenticeship including higher level apprenticeships.
- Go into employment.

How Can I Support My Child?

- **UCAS:** This resource, available at www.ucas.com, provides comprehensive information on courses at universities. Students are encouraged to explore their options on this website. For those applying to university, all applications must be completed on here.
- Unifrog: This resource, available at www.unifrog.org, provides comprehensive information on courses at universities. Students are encouraged to explore their options on this website. This also includes information on studying abroad.
- **Open Days:** We encourage students to attend various open days to explore their options. A list of events is available on www.opendays.com
- **Research:** Encourage your child to review prospectuses and provider websites for more information on their options.
- **Applications and Interviews:** Ensure your child completes their applications and attends any required interviews.
- **Academic Goals:** Motivate your child to work towards their A Level target grades, which are crucial for meeting the entry requirements of their chosen pathways.
- **Conversations:** Encourage them to have conversations at school with their form tutor, subject teachers, sixth form team and careers team.

Additional Support

- One-to-One Careers Meetings: We offer personalised career meetings at school to guide students in making informed decisions.
- **Sixth Form Team and external partners** from Into University and UEA are available to assist with UCAS applications, personal statements and navigating your post 18 options.

We are here to support all our Year 13 students as they make these important decisions. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us — careersguidance@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk

Yours faithfully,

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