

17 October 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

Symington's Careers Project and Factory Visit:

At The Ruth Gorse Academy, we are always striving to inspire students to think about the variety of career options available to them in the future and how the different subjects they study in school can help prepare them for the world of work. With this in mind, I am delighted to invite your child to take part in our Symington's Careers Project, which will involve 15 students in Year 8 finding out more about how the Food Manufacturing industry works and the range of different career pathways available in this sector, including the following activities:

Wednesday 8 November 2017 (08:45-13:30)– Symington's Factory Visit: Students will have the opportunity to take a tour of the Symington's factory and find out more about how some of the most well-known brands of food are produced, including *Golden Wonder*, *Aunt Bessie's* and *Chicken Tonight*.

Tuesday 8 February 2018 / Thursday 15 May 2018 / Wednesday 4 July 2018 (all 08:45-13:30): Students will be visited at the school by Symington's staff, who will be running activities designed to help students get a better idea of the different aspects of the Food Manufacturing industry, from design to production – more details will be given to students about the activities taking place on these dates nearer to the time.

All of the events taking place as part of this project will be completely free to students and, aside from the factory visit, will take place on-site at the school. Students will not have to give any more of their time to the project outside of school as all the dates mentioned above fall within the school day and Symington's will provide lunch for all students attending the factory visit on Wednesday 8th November.

This is an exciting opportunity for your child to learn more about the world of work in a practical, real-life context and I look forward to them taking part in what promises to be an engaging and educational project over the course of this academic year.

If you have any questions regarding the visit, please contact me using the school number or email below.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. C Webb
Careers Adviser

Symington's Factory Visit – Wednesday 8 November 2017 – Consent Form:

Name of Student:		Form:	
<p>I give permission for my son/daughter to attend the Symington's factory visit on Wednesday 8th November 2017.</p> <p>I give permission for my child to be photographed during this project and for this to be used in the school newsletters, website and other publications.</p>			
Parent Signature:		Date:	

Student information

The information provided below will only be passed on to Symington's so they can provide suitable measures to meet the health and safety requirements (Protective shoes and jacket during the tour around the factory). Dietary information is required as students will be having lunch provided by Symington's on Wednesday 8 November:

Shoe size:	
Height:	
Dietary requirements: (For example, Halal meat/vegetarian)	

This reply slip should be returned to Student Services by Friday 3 November 2017.