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Jobs for Everyone: An Introduction for Parents/Carers

**Dear Parent/Carer**

Your child’s class has been chosen to participate in an exciting project about NHS and Social Care Careers to learn about jobs they could aspire to.

Your child will learn that doctors and nurses play an important role, but there are many other important jobs that:

* Help us to be healthy
* Help us to develop
* Try to make us better when we are poorly or injured
* Care for us when we need extra help to live safely and be comfortable
* And lots more….

Everybody works together in a team. Some people provide care to patients while others work in background services like finance, HR or IT, but everyone has something to contribute to the world of the NHS and Social Care.

The project aims to raise awareness of different job roles, promote equality and diversity and dispel stereotypes, particularly around gender. Some of the key messages they will receive are:

* There are jobs for everyone
* You can choose the job you want to do
* There is no ‘type’ of person that can do a certain job
* We need people to do jobs they are good at and interested in
* You can work in lots of different places including hospitals, schools, care homes, offices, cafes/canteens, people’s homes, doctors’ surgeries, laboratories, medical centres/clinics, pharmacies etc.

We now know that many children form their career aspirations before the age of 7 and we think providing careers based learning and industry role models from an early age can help children build realistic aspirations for their future. The project uses fun and age appropriate ways to tell children about jobs in Health and Social Care whilst helping the school to meet key elements of the EYFS Framework and PSHE Curriculum for KS1.

The project will take place during the spring term and will involve classroom sessions, family activities, singing, role play, a junk modelling homework activity and an opportunity to meet real workers to learn about their roles either in person or virtually.

Photos/videos will be taken during the project and it is hoped that some of these will be used on NHS/Social Care resources/promotional materials, press publications and/or social media etc. We therefore enclose a photo/video permission slip for you to return to your class teacher by 29.2.24.

If you wish to follow the project on social media please see the school Twitter feed and @SYBCareers #JobsForEveryone.

Best wishes

Mr Pell-Culshaw & Mrs Mills