



ERNULF ACADEMY
Astrea Academy Trust

INSPIRING BEYOND MEASURE

Thursday 13th May 2021

Year 11 NCS Summer Programme

Dear parent/carer,

I am writing to inform you of a fantastic opportunity that is being presented to our year 11 students the weeks commencing the 24th of May and the 7th of June. These are the last two weeks that students will be in school with us at Ernulf Academy, and to recognise all their hard work this academic year, we have worked with the National Citizens Service to create an engaging and alternate programme.

The programme will be split into two weeks with students work in small teams of around 15 students. On the first day of the programme, Monday 24th of May, students will be taking part in a variety of exciting practical activities such as a practical assault course to develop each teams' communication and teamwork skills. The remainder of the first week will provide students with opportunities to build on skills they will need in the wider world of work, and for their post-16 ventures next academic year, through planning a community-based project within their teams. In the second week of the programme, from Monday 7th of June until Thursday 10th of June, students will then be out in the community completing the project they have planned during the first week.

This is a programme that NCS would usually roll out and advertise to students to sign-up for over the summer holidays and would normally come at a cost of £50 per student. As this programme is being delivered in school, NCS are able to offer this completely free. The programme is also a nationally recognised award and students will be provided with a certificate of completion upon finishing the programme.

In order for students to be able to access the programme, they will be required to sign up online. To facilitate this, NCS will be coming into school on the afternoon of Friday the 14th of May to deliver an assembly where they will talk students through the sign up. For this, students will need to know the following information; home address and postcode, parent/carer email address and parent/carer contact number. Once students have signed up, an email will be sent to the email address of the parent/carer that the students have put on their sign-up forms. For students to be allowed to take part in this programme, the forms that you as parents/carers receive in the email from NCS and are asked to complete must be submitted online by **Monday 17th May**. If these forms are not received, students will not be able to take part in the programme.

If you have any questions about the programme, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me at brogan.webber@astreaernulf.org.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss B Webber

Head of Year 11