

8 July 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 9 Careers Speed Networking 2024 - Thursday 10 July 2025

I am pleased to announce the return of The Wealds' annual Year 9 Careers Speed Networking event on Thursday 10 July 2025, an important part of our careers programme that your child will be taking part in.

In quick-fire rounds, Year 9 students will meet with employers and employees from a range of different labour market sectors to find out about their job, including what it involves and the entry requirements. This is a brilliant opportunity for your child to not only research the range of career options available in the local area but also develop their networking skills for the future, including their confidence in speaking with new people in a professional manner.

The event will be held twice, both times in the Canteen, with students split into two groups according to their Houses as outlined in the image below. Students must go straight to the Canteen for the start of their designated session, as a register will be taken there and the event will start promptly.

Last week, I delivered an assembly to Year 9 students where I briefed them on what to expect during the event and how to prepare in advance for it.

I am confident that all of our Year 9 students will represent not only themselves but also The Weald impeccably by showing a genuine interest in speaking with our employer and employee visitors, thanking them for volunteering their time and leaving a positive impression.

If you have questions about the Year 9 Careers Speed Networking event, please contact me via careers@theweald.org.uk.

Yours faithfully,

Miss K O'Brien

Careers Manager