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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to inform you that as part of our comprehensive careers programme, St Edward's have now joined the Young Chamber, part of the UK's Chamber of Commerce. This organisation exists to bridge the gap between schools and the business sector.

Apart from a range of opportunities ahead for our students to meet and hear from professionals from diverse professional sectors, we have also been fortunate to secure sponsorship from a local, multiple award-winning company, Actisense. Actisense is a marine electronics specialist organisation, and a member of the National Marine Electronics Association, whose products are found in ships around the globe.

As a result of this new association, our students will have the chance to develop employability skills, and engage directly with professionals from a range of departments within this successful and fast growing local business; taking advantage of insights and experience relevant to multiple career directions.

Actisense first noticed the calibre of our students after our success in the STEM Challenge last summer in which St Edward's Year 9 students won first and second place in the Poole Maritime Festival competitions, (see Newsletter Vol 2 issue 12, June 2017 on our website). I know that our partnership with Actisense will bring our students great opportunities in the years ahead.

For further information about our careers programme, and Young Chamber, please contact Mr Bousfield, Assistant Headteacher.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher