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**TEACH Trust Poole**

**Trust Excellence Aspiration Collaboration Honesty**

**Article 29:** Children have the right to develop their personality and talents to the full.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026

**Aspirations Day- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026**

Dear Parents/Carers,

During the second half of the summer term, on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026**, we shall be holding our 'Aspirations Day' for the children in our TEACH Trust junior schools. This is always an exciting day with lots of careers related encounters for the children. Throughout the day, the children are able to experience and hear about some of the many careers available to them in their futures. These encounters have taken several different formats, depending on what our volunteers have been able to provide. Many of these experiences have been provided by our very own school and local community and we are once again looking for your support in seeking volunteers to make this day successful.

We are looking to offer the following formats and experiences to the children throughout the day:

- 1) **Individual presentations** – Volunteers can present to the children using various resources such as PowerPoint, videos or presenting items from your job. This will be a longer presentation of about 45 minutes, detailing what your job/career entails, information about daily tasks, qualifications and routes into the job/career, key skills needed as well as allowing time for questions from the children
- 2) **Paired/Group presentations-** If you don't feel confident enough or able to speak for the whole session, we can pair you up with other volunteers so you don't have to talk for as long. The format will be a condensed version of the individual presentations.
- 3) **Workshops-** If you would like to provide a more hands on activity for the children such as cooking, art, designing, building, creating, physical activity, animation or recording then the children always love getting stuck in. We can help resource and organise these activities alongside you.
- 4) **Guess the job-** We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to come in during the day for a group activity. You will need to answer yes or no questions, giving clues about what your job/career might be before revealing your role and answering questions from the children about what you do. This would be teacher led. This can only take place if we have enough volunteers and could be timed to best suit you.
- 5) **Career speed dating-** We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to come in as part of a group of 3 or 4 volunteers (we will group you) to have children in small groups visit your station so you can tell them briefly about your job/career, sharing any equipment, photos or



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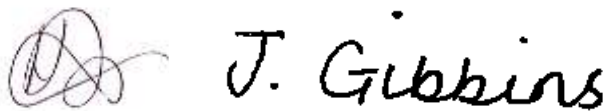
- 6) videos and answering questions from the children. These presentations would be shorter sessions lasting about 10-15 minutes for each group. Groups would be made up of 8-10 children depending on the number of volunteers.
- 7) **Virtual Tours or Video Presentations-** If you are not available on the day, we have had several successful presentations pre-recorded for us to share with the children on the day as well as virtual presentations via Teams and Zoom. If you are unable to take the time off work or aren't available on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026, then please get in touch if you feel you can support us with a virtual tour or presentation.

We really do appreciate any support you can give us in making this day a huge success for your children. If you would like further information or want to discuss the options more, please feel free to leave a message with the office and we will get back to you asap.

In order that we can prepare fully for the day, please complete the online form by **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026**. We will then be in touch once we have collated all of the responses.

[Aspirations Day - Friday 3rd July 2026 – Fill out form](#)

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Davey and Mrs Gibbins  
Aspirations Team



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