## National Careers Week 1st to 6th March 2021.

Hello, and welcome to the National Careers Week #NCW2021 special edition of the newsletter. I'm Bernie (or Andrew Bernard to my mum) and I'm the Enterprise Director for NCW and NCWSkillsDays.

Since Nick Newman started the #SaveCareers campaign 10 years ago, even he couldn't have dreamed it would be such an event in the UK Careers calendar! In our tenth year we hold true to the original aim: empowering positive change through careers education, and as well as providing the space and time for educators to share their brilliant ideas and activities, we also focus on providing brilliant, free and relevant resources for teachers and young people. That's it.

We're free because as a Community Interest Company (CIC) we are non-profit making and so the sponsorships we secure go towards delivering services, activities and resources for young people through the generous and open-minded support of organisations across the spectrum.

This year as well as dozens of simple tools and resources to make the planning and run-up to #NCW2021 straightforward, we've added a Virtual Careers Fair to the offerings so you can schedule student visits to our exhibitors in your own time to suit your needs.

Please find below some new activities and information about where they can be downloaded from:

The Virtual Careers Fair (VCF) will be open during NCW2021 at <a href="NCW2021.co.uk">NCW2021.co.uk</a> with a number of floors and rooms hosted by our sponsors where they will share some of their best resources and content – including organisations such as NatWest, NHS Careers, BAE Systems, Burberry and dozens of others.

There is still time for local businesses to get involved in the VCF, just email us at info@nationalcareersweek.com

The Launch Yourself booklet is a useful tool for KS3 and KS4 and we've had brilliant feedback about it because it can be used for a full day of personal exploration – whether students are in school or learning from home. https://nationalcareersweek.com/ncop-launch-yourself/

The booklet is an editable PDF file and links to a number of videos on our TV Channel <a href="NCCWTV.co.uk">NCCWTV.co.uk</a> There you will find multiple channels and links to BBC Bitesize Careers, <a href="STEM.org.uk">STEM.org.uk</a> films, the Royal Society of Chemistry and a host of others.

We're delivering new resources all the time - the preparatory activities - Pledges, Door Signs, Planner etc are all now updated for #NCW2021 <a href="https://ncw2020.co.uk/planning-publicity-printables/">https://ncw2020.co.uk/planning-publicity-printables/</a>

Other new resources have recently been uploaded such as

Future Careers Booklet – to help with discussing the future of employment and work, LMI, AI etc: <u>The Future of Work Guide</u>

What's Your Story World Book Day resource is here for primary and KS3 – looking at our everyday superheroes, book cover designs and outlines of careers in publishing: What's Your Story?

3 x simple dice games – 5, 10 and 15 minutes activities (including *5 minutes of positivity*) are here: <u>The NCW Dice Game</u>

Finally a signpost for pupils looking into STEM careers can use the *You're the Catalyst - Careers in Chemistry* booklet (it could also be good around KS3/4 options time): Your pathways to a career using Chemistry

Please do get involved with NCW as much as you can – up to the minute information can be found on Twitter and Instagram at @CareersWeek under the #NCW2021 hashtag and the rest of the resources can be found via  $\underline{www.nationalcareersweek.com}$  and at  $\underline{www.NCW2021.co.uk}$ 

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Please enjoy #NCW2021	and make sure	vou tag us and	use the hashtag	on social media.

Cheers,

Bernie.