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The Five Islands Academy is an all-age, multi-site, Church of England Academy, serving the island communities of Bryher, St Agnes, St Martin's, St Mary's and Tresco. It is part of the Leading Edge Academies Partnership.

Tuesday 30th September 2025

College and Careers Convention 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This year we have scheduled the week of 6th – 10th October for our College and Careers Week. Our usual College and Careers Convention, to which you are all invited, will be in the FIA Performance Hall during the **afternoon and evening of Thursday 9th October**, while a programme of workshops for Years 10 and 11 is planned for Thursday 9th and Friday 10th.

Between 2.00pm and 3.15pm, Year 10 and Year 11 students will tour the Careers Convention and are free to discuss their opportunities with employers and education providers. From 3.15pm to 4.00pm, the event is open to any child with additional needs who would prefer a less busy environment, together with their parents, carers and guardians. From 6.15pm to 8.00pm, the Convention will be open to all students and their families.

As always, we warmly welcome you all to attend this event. If anyone is not able to attend during the evening, please do come in the afternoon. This of course, includes off-island families, as we do appreciate that transport, especially in the evening, can be tricky. Please sign in at reception if this is the case, as the rest of school will still be fully operational.

Lindsay Masters, our Careers Adviser from Mounts Bay Academy, plans to be available during the event. Lindsay is able to give independent advice and guidance to our students and their parents, carers and guardians. We are also working with Children's Services, who will join us in the evening to offer information about our Council's role and financial contributions, and also information about wider learning opportunities. Lucy Humphries, the Council's Strengthening Families Practitioner for Transition Support, will be present to talk to students about how she can support them once they are on the mainland.

All aboard! Navigating together

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We encourage you to do as much research as possible about post-16 opportunities. We very much hope you will take this opportunity of exploring different careers, schools, and colleges, FE and HE provision, distance learning, access arrangements and funding packages which will be available at the Convention.

You may also find our small Careers Library in school, [online Careers Library](#) on our website or Careers and Post-16 page on Firefly useful.

We very much hope to see you on Thursday 9th October.

Yours faithfully

Tim Garratt
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