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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 9 Business Enterprise Opportunity – Edge of the Box

I'm delighted to let you know that we are inviting Year 9 students with an entrepreneurial streak to apply to receive some coaching and skills development in how to launch a start-up business.

Students in teams of up to five will attend three one-hour sessions in school before a half-day session at Stamford Bridge, home of Chelsea Football Club on 21st June (during the school day) where students will get the opportunity to present their ideas and get feedback from industry experts.

This activity comes shortly after all of Year 9 took part in Enterprise Day where they worked in teams to practice a range of business skills. The opportunity has arisen through the partnership between Tomlinscote School and the Premier League Inspires programme, delivered by Chelsea FC Foundation in school. Tomlinscote can take a maximum of 15 students.

Students do not need to have chosen any specific options or be working at specific grades. We are looking for those with good ideas, drive and determination. However, this is a privileged programme, and the behaviour of students will be taken into account during the application process. To make sure that our careers programmes reach a wide range of students we regret that this programme is not open to those who have already been successful on the Wellington or RAISE Careers programmes.

Students who are interested should think about their business idea and apply through the Google Form that will be emailed to them. If students have teams smaller than five, we may need to put teams together. I do hope that you think this is an exciting and innovative opportunity for Year 9. We have asked students to apply with their idea by Monday 13th May and we will confirm directly with all students regarding the outcome of their application by Friday 17th May.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Brown who is co-ordinating the programme nbrown@tomlinscoteschool.com.

Yours sincerely

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