

Dare to Dream Mentoring Sessions – School Info Sheet

Overview:

This section of the **Dare to Dream** programme invites business mentors to support the students on their journey through focussed mentoring sessions. The objectives will be to:

- Re-visit some of the key messages delivered at the Journey event
- Further explore each student's potential
- Discuss themes of self-awareness, identity, character, employability and self-belief
- Share personal/workplace insights where appropriate, providing context to themes

Your school will be paired with a business to work with and five business mentors who will attend the school for the Journey event and mentoring sessions which will take place with the 15 mentee students in the afternoon after Jack's presentation. Each business mentor will meet with three students each, 30 minutes per student.

Where & When?

- An ice breaker workshop will follow each of the inspirational talks led by Jack with the 15 students participating in the mentoring and the 5 business mentors (30 minutes)
- This will be followed by the mentoring sessions with the 15 mentee students and 5 mentors (30 minutes per student)
- The Ice breaker workshop and mentoring sessions are to take place in a school hall/class room etc. that can host 5 mentors and 5 students. Please can the school confirm whether there will be a room for the business mentors to be hosted for lunch and whether lunch can be provided.
- The school to support the Dare to Dream staff in allocating the students to the 5 business mentors so each mentor has a mix of students
- The school to recommend timings for the mentoring so that 5 students meet with the 5 mentors at one time for approx. 30 minutes, then the next five students and then the next 5. Allowing for short breaks in between.
- Potential to have runners available to support with collecting students from classes for their mentoring session
- A teacher must be in the room at all times for safeguarding purposes.

Online Mentoring Sessions

If mentoring sessions are unable to go ahead due to the pandemic – mentoring can be run virtually, see below:

- Ideally run the mentoring sessions on the afternoon of Jack the Lad delivering his inspirational talks
- Locate a room for the mentoring sessions (please bear in mind if multiple sessions are running at the same time that there might be feedback and headphones will be required for each student)
- A desktop/device/headset/camera/online login is required for each student for their mentoring session
- The mentoring session for each student will last for approx. 30 minutes.
- Please ensure the students are invited and attend the sessions allowing enough time for them to login ready to start on time
- Please confirm the online platform that the school will be using and send the invite to the business Mentor ahead of their mentoring sessions

The Role of Teachers

Please contact the **Dare to Dream** team and your allocated business mentors if there are any specific requirements or anything you wish to highlight regarding individual students.

IMPORTANT: A member of school staff will be required to be present during the mentoring sessions for safeguarding purposes. Should any behavioural problems arise, school staff will be asked to support.