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Dear (student name)

RE: The Employer Led Scheme and Medsoc

I hope that you are keeping well and managing to access the online learning. At around this time of Year 11 (as part of our preparations for transition into our Sixth Form) we invite applications to secure a place on two of the specialist programmes we offer when in Year 12: the Employer Led scheme and Medsoc.

Employer Led – This programme enables students to work with employers across the region to develop employability skills in preparation for the future. The scheme offers externally delivered training, work placements and one-to-one mentoring support from employers in the student's preferred career of choice. There are two pathways for the course aimed at students considering either a university, or apprenticeship route in the future, so support can be tailored appropriately. Recent years have seen students access a range of local, national and global employers after leaving the Sixth Form as a result of the scheme.

MEDSOC – This programme helps to prepare students for entry into the highly competitive university courses of Medicine, Veterinary Science and Dentistry. The scheme operates in partnership with Hull York Medical School (HYMS) and is overseen by an individual who is involved in HYMS admissions (to provide bespoke advice and guidance). The scheme includes teaching sessions at HYMS, application workshops, interview and UCAT preparation, ethical debate and a work experience opportunity at Hull Royal Infirmary, or Castle Hill. Since the scheme's inception we have seen an unprecedented number of students successfully access careers in these areas. Some initial input from HYMS for Y11 students is planned for this March.

There are videos on our Sixth Form open event which offer a more detailed insight into each course. This can still be accessed through the school website where the presentations form part of the "student life" section, or you can click the following link: <https://sixthform.driffieldschool.net/student-life/>

Students who wish to apply to be part of these programmes need to complete the attached application forms and submit them to the suggested email address by 5 March.

Yours sincerely



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Head of Sixth Form