

5th September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

I am pleased to inform you that The Emmbrook School is going to be offering your son/daughter the opportunity to embark on an innovative scheme called 'The Edge' this academic year.

The scheme is intended, over time, to develop and accredit the life skills and attributes that employers are telling us they need – leadership, organisation, initiative, resilience and communication (LORIC). This will give students a qualification, which runs alongside their academic successes and recognises what they can do as well as what they know.

In order to gain the qualification at "Apprentice" or "Graduate" level, students need to complete a range of activities from an approved list on the PiXI website. The activities are varied and can be undertaken in normal lessons, in extra-curricular clubs or outside of school.

Progress on the scheme will be managed by students themselves using a specially designed on-line application, with tutors and Heads of Year providing an oversight and awarding credits towards achieving the qualification.

A presentation on 'The Edge' is scheduled during the Year 7 Moving Forward Evening on Wednesday 19th September, in order to provide you with further details of the scheme.

We believe that 'The Edge' provides a real opportunity for students at The Emmbrook School to benefit in the future as they apply to colleges, universities and for positions of employment.

I look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to the Year 7 Moving Forward Evening.

Yours sincerely

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