How YOU can be ENTREPRENEURIAL AND ENTERPRISING!

Not everyone wants to start their own business but everyone can benefit from being more entrepreneurial and enterprising in their careers even when you are just starting out!

Here are some enterprise and entrepreneurial skills. Think about how YOU can do MORE of the following:

• Good communicator: speaks and writes clearly to get the message across effectively, and is a good listener

• Creative thinker: able to suggest new ways to work

• Flexible: responds well to changing situations and demands

• Motivated: shows drive to get the job done

• Organised: has all aspects of the job under control

• Problem solver: able to see things from different perspectives in order to find solutions and decide the right way forward

• Resilient: responds well to challenging situations without being knocked back by negative feedback

• Self-directed: can manage a situation successfully without support or being told what to do

• Team player: has strong cooperative skills and strong leadership potential

• Willing to learn: is open-minded and relishes the challenge of discovering something new

Here are some ideas of ways you can develop your enterprise and entrepreneurial thinking:

Showing Initiative

* Make suggestions of how things could be better at school
* Start a club at school
* Offer to help before you are asked
* Ask a visitor at school for their business card

Paying Attention

* Check the notices on the school notice board and other places you visit
* Listen more than talk!

Being engaged

* Ask questions and research new things!
* Practise praising those around you – recognising other’s worth encourages people to give more!

Saying yes!

* Say yes to something you normally wouldn’t – we learn by trying! E.g. talking in public, trying out a new activity

Looking for and taking advantage of opportunities and help

* Ask for a careers appointment
* Send an email to a company that interests you e.g [www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk)
* Check out the Elev8Careers blog/twitter/fb - [www.elev8careers.org.uk/careers-blog](http://www.elev8careers.org.uk/careers-blog)

Want to save the planet? Have an idea of how to make things better for people? Then you might be a budding social entrepreneur! Google ‘changing the world toolkit by unltd’ for a really useful guide to making a difference.