

CAREERS NEWSLETTER



WELCOME

Welcome to the first Wootton Park School Careers Newsletter. We are incredibly excited for what we have planned for the next academic year for our learners across EYFS to KS5. The team are working hard alongside subject leads to ensure our learners feel inspired to take the next step in their learning journey and to enhance their employability skills.

NEED ADVICE?

Wootton Park School has a 'Next Steps' team to give learners the opportunity to consider the options available to them and to aim high with their aspirations. All Year 11 and Year 13 students will have the opportunity to have a one-to-one meeting with our Careers Advisor Miss Adabale.

All learners are encouraged to speak to Mrs Steere in regard to Year 9 options and Dr. Rautenberg and Mr Kilcoyne for Post-18 choices and UCAS applications. Our SENCO Mrs Woodbridge is also available to offer support to learners across all year groups.

WPS CAREERS TEAM



Careers Lead
Miss Watts



Careers Advisor
Miss Adabale



Careers Officer
Miss MacDougall



SENCO
Mrs Woodbridge



Yr 9 Options Lead
Mrs Steere



Head of Sixth Form
Mr Kilcoyne & Dr
Rautenberg



WPS CAREERS TALKS

We are running Careers Talks throughout the year to give our Year 10 and Sixth Form learners an insight to the world of work.

Throughout this term we have had talks and workshops from Northamptonshire Council, Work Pays, NHS, and Formula One. These talks have been really invaluable for learners to speak with employers in industries they're interested in pursuing.

Y9 SILVERSTONE TRIP

Our Year 9's had the brilliant opportunity to visit Silverstone in November. This trip enabled learners to see the variety of career paths that link Science to Formula 1. The learners were really engaged and spent all day learning about the STEAM opportunities available to them!



PINEWOOD STUDIOS TRIP

Lights, Camera, Action! A-Level Film Studies, Art and Drama students had the opportunity to visit Pinewood Studios. Home to the legendary 007 Stage, a further 23 stages, 3 TV studios and more, this was definitely an exciting experience for our learners interested in pursuing this exciting career path.



UPCOMING EVENTS

NSPCC Business Initiative

The NSPCC have tasked Year 7 learners to design and create an exciting fundraising event with £20 per group. We can't wait to see how much money each group raise for this worthy cause!

University of Northampton HE Day

On 2nd February, we have our HE experience day for a group of Year 7 & 8 learners who will attend subject workshops and see what life is like on campus!

National Apprenticeship Week: 6th - 11th Feb

Our National Apprenticeship week in 2023 will give learners who want to consider an alternative route a chance to learn all about this great option.

National Careers Week: 6th - 11th March

National Careers week will be focused on inspiring learners with their next steps with informative talks and assemblies. We will be hosting a Careers Fair to expose learners to career paths they may have never considered before.

Year 10 & 12 Work Experience: 3rd - 7th July

Our Year 10 & 12 learners will have the chance to work with an employer of their choice for five days in July. Learners have begun looking for their placements and will use their Unifrog accounts to support with the process. Any queries, please email j.watts@woottonparkschool.org.uk



NSPCC



POST 16 APPRENTICESHIP OPTIONS

We are keen to support all of our learners with their next steps and making them aware of different opportunities that are available to them after their GCSEs.

Part of the support the Careers Team offers our learners, is to help them to consider a multitude of pathways, be it the academic A Level route here at Wootton Park School, the vocational route at the local colleges, or even the apprenticeship route. Apprenticeships are a brilliant option to consider if learners are interested in pursuing a particular career path. Below, we have listed a few ways to find out more about apprenticeship routes:



COLLEGE PROVIDERS

Moulton College offer a variety of different post 16 options including traditional apprenticeships; to find out more please [click here](#).

Northampton College are offering both apprenticeship and T-Level opportunities. T-Levels are available to those who complete their GCSE's; these courses are equivalent to three A Levels. T Levels bring classroom learning and industry placements together. To find out more please [click here](#). Northampton College also offer 16 different Apprenticeship pathways - from Childcare to Engineering and Construction to Business Administration; learn more about this [here](#).

Other Sources:

Gov.uk have a fantastic tool to find apprenticeships available in your area. The site allows you to filter for particular sectors, location and the level of apprenticeship you're looking for. Once a search has been made, you can set up an alert so that you will be notified via email when an opportunity appears in your area. [Click here to visit Gov.uk](#).

Amazing Apprenticeships also offer a great apprenticeship search tool, find out more [here](#). Our Careers Officer, Miss MacDougall is on hand to support learners with CV writing, applications, looking at university courses, or apprenticeships.



PARENT FEEDBACK

We are keen to collect feedback from parents to understand how we can continue to improve our Careers Programme. If you have any suggestions of what you would like to see, we would be grateful to hear from you! [Please fill in the form here](#).

CONTACT US



If you or your child have any queries about our programme including work experience, please feel free to email either the Careers Lead or Careers Officer below and we will endeavor to get back to you as soon as possible.

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