# **CAREERS**

# **NEWSLETTER**



Welcome to the Wootton Park School summer term careers newsletter. We have had an exciting term filled with activities to support learners with their employability skills. The team are already excited to plan events for the next academic year which will help learners feel even more inspired about their next steps.

# WPS Y10 & Y12 WORK EXPERIENCE

200 learners across Y10 and Y12 had the opportunity to attend a work experience placement from 3rd – 7th July. Our team were so impressed with how our learners conducted themselves throughout this week. We were delighted to hear the feedback from employers, praising learners on their approach and attitude to their placement. A big thank you to our local employers who offered their time to support throughout this process. Their dedication with organising these placements enabled our learners to experience the workplace and further develop their employability skills.



### PRIMARY GB RAILFREIGHT ASSEMBLY

We were lucky to have GB Railfreight visit Wootton Park School to deliver a talk to our Primary learners. During the assembly, our learners found out about the variety of roles in the transport sector, the uniform, the equipment and challenges that this employer faces. Our primary learners asked brilliant questions throughout the presentation.

### Y9 UON 'I DON'T EVEN KNOW' SHOW

The University of Northampton are touring a brilliant show called, 'I don't even know (IDEK). This performance is designed to be both thought provoking and relevant in terms of careers education.







### MY GREAT FIRST JOB

Dale Willis from My Great First Job has shared a free recording for learners, parents and carers to watch. This is especially helpful for learners who are keen to work on their personal statement and UCAS application during the summer break. <u>Please click here to access the recording.</u>



### Y12 EMPLOYABILITY CAREER TALKS

Our Y12 learners have been treated to brilliant talks with representatives from Waterstones, UON, Northamptonshire Sports and UCFB. These guest speakers provided engaging activities and talks to help learners consider their next steps post-18. Our year 12's also had a fantastic opportunity to work with an Enterprise Advisor on interview skills.

# Y10 THE GOOD LOAF TALK

We were fortunate to have The Good Loaf visit our GCSE Food and Nutrition learners. The talk highlighted the importance of social enterprise in Northamptonshire. Suzy went on to discuss the team's passion to produce the finest baked products, whilst improving the lives of those who are in poverty or in unemployment.



# NORTHAMPTON AND MOULTON COLLEGE TRIPS

In addition to our learners completing their work experience in our primary phase, 25 learners were offered to visit Northampton and Moulton College.

As part of a bespoke tour, learners were able to see the fantastic facilities and courses on offer.

# Y8 ENTERPRISE DAY

Our Y8 learners took part in a 'Dragons Den' day to learn about enterprise and starting a business. Throughout the day, they developed their product and finished by pitching for cash from investors. The learners had a fantastic time!





### PARENT FEEDBACK

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 endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible. If you would like to give us feedback on our careers programme, please follow this link to complete the survey.

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### WHO CAN LEARNERS COME TO FOR 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, Year 12 and Year 13 students will have the opportunity to have a oneto-one meeting with our Careers Advisor Miss Adabale. All learners are encouraged to speak to Mrs Steere in regard to Year 9 options 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.



Careers Lead Mr May



Careers Advisor Miss Adabale



Careers Officer Miss MacDougall



SENCO Mrs Woodbridge



Mrs Steere



Yr 9 Options Lead Head of Sixth Form Mr Kilcoyne