

CEIAG NEWSLETTER Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance

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Welcome to the first edition of the CEIAG Newsletter for the Autumn term bringing you up to date with all of the Careers activities. This issue is packed with information from a very busy start of term and will keep you informed of future events which may be of interest.

Year 13 Future Choices Mock Interview Day

Year 13 returned in September to Mock Interviews with over 22 different employers. As part of the school careers strategy we have worked closely with employment partners to provide the opportunity for students to practice their interview skills to better prepare them for the world of work.





Year 13 Personal References

Year 13 are now well underway with writing their Personal References in readiness for applying for university or employment. They are using the Unifrog tool to construct their statement as well as research university and career choices. <u>www.unifrog.org</u>



Liverpool City Region Careers Hub

In line with the government's statutory Career Strategy (October 2018), Weatherhead High School has adopted The Gatsby Benchmarks for Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance to provide a world class careers programme that will help our young people choose the career that is right for them. To ensure that Weatherhead High School fully meets the requirements of the Gatsby Benchmarks, Weatherhead

has become a member of the Liverpool City Region Careers Hub and the careers team works closely with Sally Beevers - **Liverpool City Region, Careers Hub Lead**, Jane Hayes - **Enterprise Coordinator**, Joanna Bateman (pictured above) - **Graduate Engineer - Highways North West - Enterprise Adviser**. In September the first meeting of this academic year took place to set in place plans to further develop the careers opportunities for all students.

Careers Web Tool

Our careers web tool Start has been rolled out to the new Year 7 students so that they can explore jobs, industries and educational pathways for their future. During November additional support on using the tool has been given to groups of students who have had bespoke sessions on how to use the tool from Brian Powell from the local authority.



How to access the Start careers tool:

The link for to access the tool is: https://www.startprofile.com/

Parents/carers can also use **Start** to find out more about jobs, training and study opportunities by registering using the steps outlined below, creating your own username and password.

- Go to <u>www.startprofile.com</u> and click Register
- Enter your first name, surname, email address, postcode and gender
- Choose a memorable username and a secure password and click Get Started
- Click Login and enter your username and password. Click Login
- The first time you log in you will be required to complete the following:
- Select "I am a Parent and would like to use Start with my children."

Careers Experiences

Building Brighter Futures



Miss Smith attended the 'Building Brighter Futures' conference to discuss future trends in the local labour market with regards to the construction industry, with employers discussing the need for young people to be considering professional roles within construction.

Liverpool John Moores University

A visit to Liverpool John Moores University with a cohort of students from years 9-11 gave students an insight into Higher Education through a subject taster session and a campus tour. Students learnt about university life and the benefits of Higher Education.



Tomorrow's Engineers



In celebration of Tomorrow's Engineers week, Joanna Bateman (Enterprise Advisor) delivered a talk to 15 students from years 7-13 on her career in Civil Engineering and how to successfully enter this sector.

Jackson Lees Solicitors

Martin Hood spoke with a select group of students in Year 12 about various roles within the legal profession. He talked about his specialism in Clinical Negligence and the students gained a real insight into specific areas of law.

Discover Creative Careers Week



As part of the Year 12 'Experiences of Work', 26 students visited Tate Liverpool. Students met a variety of professionals working in the creative industry, who talked about their roles and how to enter the industry. Students also had the opportunity to participate in print making and visited the galleries.

Aspire to Higher Education - Year 9

25 Students were given the opportunity to experience university lectures, a campus tour and discussions with university students. Students were given an understanding of the requirements and how to apply for university





Introduction to the World of Work – Year 7

At the start of December as part of the PSHCE programme and Careers Education provided to students, Year 7 were off timetable for half a day to engage in activities to introduce them to the skills required for work and to consider their future career aspirations. Students developed a range of work-related skills from communication and teamwork to literacy and numeracy skills. The event was supported by the University of Chester, the University of Liverpool, Unilever and Wirral Young Chamber.





For more information, please contact: Miss L Smith, Careers Manager 0151 631 4400 careers@weatherheadhigh.co.uk

Alternatively, you can visit the Careers Section of the school website weatherheadhigh.co.uk/enrichment/careers/



Advice for Students

Drop-in careers sessions for students take place on Monday and Thursday lunchtimes, 12.45pm – 1.15pm and bespoke appointments are available on Wednesdays, 12.45pm – 1.15pm, all in the Careers Hub (next to the PE office).



Advice for Parents/Carers

Careers **drop-in** sessions for parents/carers take place on a **Tuesday after school** from **3.20pm – 4.20pm** in the Careers Hub.



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