

Careers Newsletter

January & February 2024

The majority of Year 11 students have now had their one to one careers talk with the Careers Advisor and have completed an application form for College.

On 18th January Aim Higher came in to speak to the Year 11 students on 'Building Success'. This presentation looked at how students can achieve and maintain success through periodisation and goal setting.

Aim Higher came in again to speak to the Year 11 students on January 25th. This presentation was on 'Study Skills'. This presentation looked at exploring how your memory works, effective methods of learning and goal setting.

On January 31st the Year 11 students were invited to Hereford Sixth Form College for their Taster Session. Students had chosen 3 subjects they wanted to experience in a Lecture. All students enjoyed the experience and thought it was worthwhile doing as it helped them to decide whether the subjects they had chosen were right for them.

It was Apprenticeship week commencing 5th February. This was celebrated by inviting providers in to talk about the Apprenticeships they offered.

What is an apprenticeship?

As an apprentice you'll:

- train for the workplace
- get hands-on experience
- earn a salary and get the same rights as employees, including sick leave and holiday pay
- spend at least 20% of your working hours training or studying
- undertake ongoing assessments, including an end-point assessment

It can take between one and six years to complete an apprenticeship, depending on:

- the apprenticeship you choose
- your apprenticeship level
- your previous experience

Apprenticeship information can be found on

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/apprentices/about-apprenticeships>

Apprenticeship vacancies can be found on <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

On Monday 5th February the Year 7's got involved in a 'Guess my Job' event. We invited 7 employers in from various professions ; Hairdresser, Engineer, Speech Therapist, Accountant, Fireman, HR Manager and Solicitor and the students had to find out what job they did by asking questions. Once the students had guessed each employer was asked to speak about their job, what it involved and what qualifications and training they needed. We have run this event for several years and it is always a big hit with the students 😊

Allpay were invited in on 9th February to talk to the Year 10 students about the Apprenticeships they offered. Allpay offer a number of apprenticeships across an array of disciplines. Allpay was awarded the Apprenticeship Regional Awards winner supported by the National Apprenticeship Service.

On Friday 23rd February Worcester University Ambassadors were invited in to talk about the Unifest opportunity open to Year 10 students. Unifest Summer School gives the chance for students to explore university life, meet current students and staff and make new friends. With five summer school events to choose from at different universities across the West Midlands, you will have an action-packed fun experience.