

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Wootton Park School spring term Careers newsletter. This term we have run a range of events and talks to encourage learners to think about their aspirations and next steps. During National Apprenticeship Week and National Careers Week we held a few new events including an apprentice quiz show for Y9. We were also thrilled to welcome back our first Wootton Park School Alumni student to inform our KS3 students about the apprenticeship pathway.

WPS KS4 & KS5 CAREERS FAIR

We were fortunate to have a variety of local employers and providers attend our yearly Careers Fair. Our learners had the opportunity to learn about apprenticeships, a range of industries and speak to employers from various sectors. We were delighted to hear the feedback from employers, praising learners on their attitude and questions. A big thank you to our local employers who offered their time to support throughout this process.



KS1 NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP ACTIVITIES

Learners in KS1 discovered the A-Z of apprenticeships throughout National Apprenticeship Week. At the end of the week, Year 2 learners were asked to draw themselves doing their favourite apprenticeship. From pharmacists to zoo keepers, our learners had a fantastic time learning about the day in the life of different apprentices.

This week I have learnt about different apprenticeships!
If I could choose my favourite, I would pick the
zookeeper apprenticeship.
Here is a drawing of me doing this job, look how much fun I am
having!



EYFS WHEN I GROW UP DAY

For the EYFS 'When I grow up' day, learners dressed up as their favourite job and engaged in a fantastic day of activities. From talks with a firefighter and train driver to completing career related activities, our learners had a brilliant time learning about the working world.



Y9 & Y10 WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION TRIP

A small group of Y9 & Y10 learners volunteered to attend Northampton College's Women in Construction event. The aim of the event was to raise aspirations and provide learners the opportunity to explore construction as a possible pathway. The trip included talks from women in industry and team work activities.



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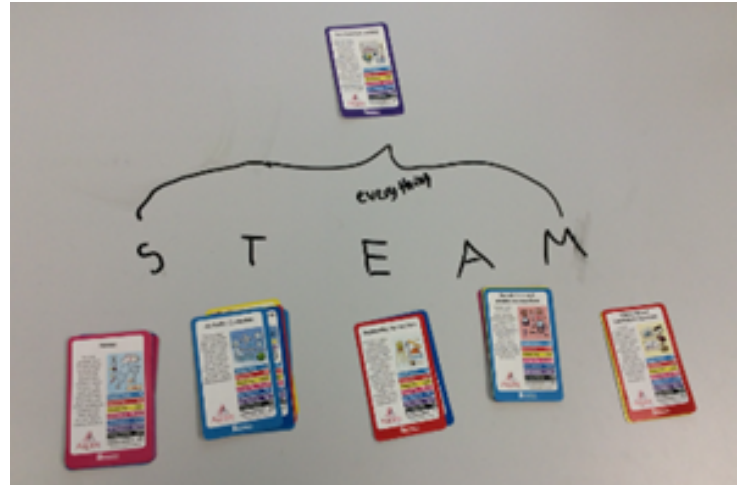
Y3 & Y4 NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK ACTIVITIES

Y3 and Y4 jumped into careers week with two brilliant talks from Wootton Park parents! From veterinary nursing to accountancy, our learners gained great insight into these important job roles.



Y5 & Y6 STEAM AND LMI WORKSHOP

Miss MacDougall ran a workshop with Y5 & Y6 learners to discuss apprenticeships and STEAM job roles (science, technology, engineering, art and maths). Using career Top Trumps, learners also explored the future of particular roles and compared jobs they aspire to have.



Y9 WHAT'S MY LINE? NHS EDITION

Y9 learners engaged in our 'What's My Line?' quiz show with NHS apprentices. The aim was for learners to guess their apprenticeship by only asking 10 yes or no questions. Our learners enjoyed the opportunity to find out about key apprenticeships within the NHS and how to enter this pathway.



Y11 UON GEOGRAPHY FIELDTRIP

Y11 Geography learners were given the chance whilst completing fieldwork to tour the University of Northampton and attend a talk discussing the variety of pathways into geography careers.



Y7 & Y8 WPS ALUMNI ASSEMBLY

We were grateful to have a Wootton Park School Alumni Learner, Maddie, speak to Y7 & Y8 learners about her apprenticeship at Apertus Group.

It was wonderful to have an apprentice offer helpful advice to our KS3 learners and to welcome back Maddie!





DO YOU OWN OR RUN A BUSINESS?



COULD YOU HOST A PLACEMENT FOR ONE OF OUR YEAR 10 OR YEAR 12 LEARNERS FROM 1ST - 5TH JULY? WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Y13 Apprenticeship Focus Group: 17th April, 1:20pm](#)

Miss MacDougall is supporting Y13 learners who are keen to pursue the apprenticeship pathway once they complete their A-Levels. We have also had Starting Off attend to deliver a talk and on Wednesday 17th April, we will have Workpays provide helpful advice on next steps.



[Year 10 & 12 Work Experience: 1st - 5th July 2024](#)

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 our Careers Officer, Miss MacDougall S.MacDougall@Woottonparkschool.org.uk



[College Open Events and Apprenticeships](#)

Moulton and Northampton college offer a selection of courses including T-Levels, Apprenticeships and Vocational Courses. For those who are interested in finding out more about local colleges, we recommend parents/carers and learners to book onto their open days. Northampton College, [bookings can be made here](#). For Moulton College, [bookings can be made here](#). Learners can also apply for apprenticeship opportunities on GOV.UK and on Unifrog.



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](#).

✉ Careers Lead: M.Mayewoottonparkschool.org.uk

✉ Careers Officer: s.macdougallewoottonparkschool.org.uk

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 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 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.



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Yr 9 Options Lead
Mrs Steere



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