



Careers Newsletter

Year 7 - Careers Education

During tutor time this term, Year 7 students explored a range of exciting careers and future opportunities.

Students took part in Career Spotlight sessions focusing on the roles of a Structural Engineer and a Paramedic. They learned about the qualifications, skills and personal qualities needed for each career, as well as the day-to-day responsibilities involved. Students discovered how structural engineers design and ensure the safety of buildings and bridges, while paramedics provide vital emergency medical care and support in a variety of situations.

Students also took part in a session on Careers and the Future, considering what the world of work might look like in 20 years' time. They discussed emerging careers, the impact of new technologies and how artificial intelligence (AI) may change the jobs people do. The session encouraged students to think about the importance of adaptability, creativity and lifelong learning in an ever-changing workplace.

Year 8 - The Student Receptionist Role

Did You Know?

The Student Receptionist role is an important part of our Careers Education Programme, providing students with valuable experience of a real workplace environment.

Throughout the day, students develop key employability skills, including communication, time management, organisation and the ability to prioritise tasks effectively. They gain confidence by interacting with staff, students and visitors while carrying out a range of administrative duties.



As part of the experience, students complete a CV template, helping them to recognise and record the skills they are developing. They are also encouraged to reflect on their day by logging their activities and newly acquired skills on Unifrog, building evidence for their future applications and career planning.

This opportunity allows students to gain practical workplace experience while developing the transferable skills that employers value across all sectors.

Armed Forces Day Careers Assembly

To mark Armed Forces Day, students took part in a careers-focused assembly exploring the wide range of opportunities available within the Armed Forces. Students learned about the roles of the Royal Navy, British Army and Royal Air Force, discovering that careers extend far beyond frontline service and include areas such as engineering, healthcare, cyber security, logistics, communications and intelligence.

The assembly highlighted the various pathways into Armed Forces careers, including apprenticeships, which allow young people to earn while they learn and gain nationally recognised qualifications. Students also explored the valuable transferable skills developed through service, including teamwork, leadership, communication, resilience, problem-solving and adaptability.

The session encouraged students to consider how their interests, strengths and school subjects could link to future career opportunities, while signposting them to resources such as Unifrog and the National Careers Service for further research.

This assembly provided an engaging insight into the diverse careers available within the Armed Forces and the skills that can support success in both military and civilian professions.

Year 10 Ignite the Spark Visit to Northampton College

Year 10 students recently visited Northampton College to take part in the Ignite the Spark programme, where they explored a range of hands-on workshops linked to key growth sectors within the Northamptonshire labour market.

Students gained valuable insight into careers in areas such as engineering, logistics and other industries that play an important role in the local economy. Through practical activities and interactive sessions, they learned about the skills, qualifications and pathways required for success in these sectors.

The visit helped students make connections between their classroom learning and future career opportunities while raising awareness of the wide variety of roles available locally. It also provided an excellent opportunity to experience a further education setting and engage with industry-related learning in a meaningful and inspiring way.

Students represented the school exceptionally well and returned with a greater understanding of the opportunities available to them within Northamptonshire's evolving job market.



Year 12 Young Enterprise Launchpad Challenge

A group of students recently took part in the Young Enterprise Launch Pad Challenge Day, an exciting enterprise and employability event designed to develop key workplace skills.

Working in teams, students were challenged to create and develop a business idea, responding to a realistic business brief while considering areas such as marketing, finance, branding and customer needs. Throughout the day, they demonstrated

excellent teamwork, communication, problem-solving, creativity and leadership skills as they worked against the clock to prepare and present their ideas.

The challenge provided students with valuable insight into the world of business and entrepreneurship while helping them build confidence and develop the employability skills that employers value most. Students embraced the opportunity with enthusiasm and produced a range of innovative and well-considered solutions.

The day was a fantastic experience and showcased the talent, creativity and resilience of our students.

Young Enterprise

LAUNCHPAD Day

An amazing experience building employability skills and teamwork!

- ✓ TEAMWORK
- ✓ PROBLEM SOLVING
- ✓ CONFIDENCE BUILDING

Students engaged throughout!

Quiz

Question 6

There is a big decision to make. Do you:

1. Look at all the options first before you make a decision
2. Make decisions on your own
3. Let someone else make decisions
4. Discuss with others before you make the decision

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