



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

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This is our first official careers newsletter, the aim is to keep you updated with all the careers-related events and activities that are happening in school.

Much of the last term has been spent preparing our Year 11s with deciding on their next steps, they have had guidance meetings, guest speakers from Mid Kent College and 6th form information assemblies.

As always we are keen to hear your thoughts about our careers programme and any ideas or suggestions you may have about how it could be developed.

We hope that you have a peaceful and relaxing Christmas break!

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MEET THE TEAM:



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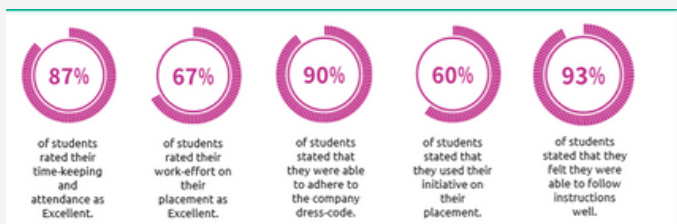


WORK EXPERIENCE

YEAR 12 – 18th July–22nd July 2022

Work Experience is an invaluable way for students to gain that important on-the-job experience and gain demonstrable proof of work-ready skills that the majority of employers require.

Last year 120 of our Year 12s completed a week of work experience, with 93% of students rating their experience as useful.



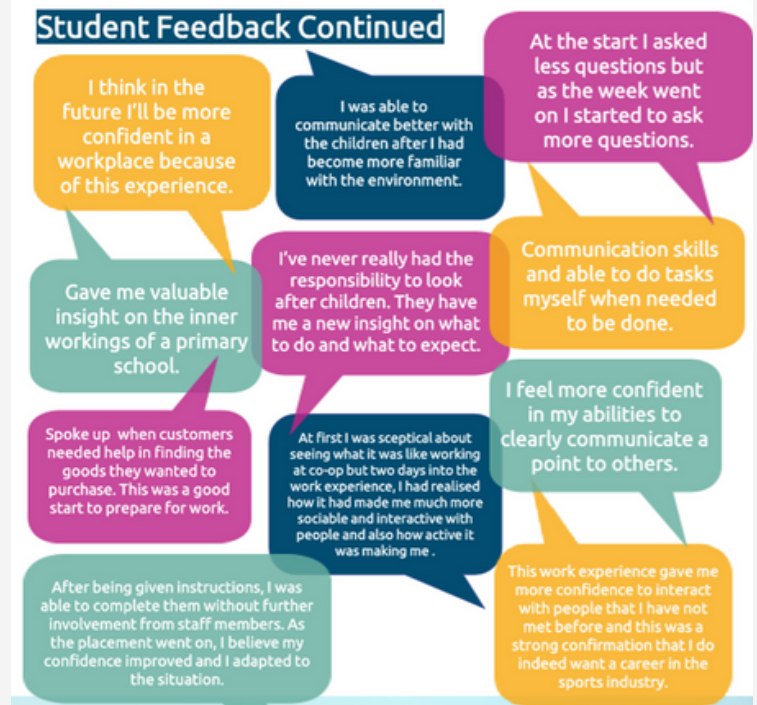
Employer Feedback
Nico



It was fantastic to have Nico on Work Experience with us. Nico completed some summer work with us as we were so impressed by his work ethic. Nico used his initiative, presented great interest towards the construction industry arrived on time and supported the whole team. Nico was always polite to clients, and other staff and he clearly understood how to conduct himself within a working environment. We would always invite Nico to work with us again in the future.

Thank you Nico. We are wishing you all the best. You clearly have a bright future ahead of you.

Student Feedback Continued



Employer Feedback
Bobby



Bobby was a pleasure to have on work experience. His attitude and work ethic were brilliant!

Bobby completed all tasks efficiently. We held a group session with some of the other students within the office and Bobby created a task for other students regarding mortgages. Bobby was a great help to the other students and helped them to understand what was required to complete the tasks.

Bobby was great to have around the office and is the type of student we would be very happy to have as an employee.



CAREERS GUIDANCE

All Year 11s have been offered 1-2-1 guidance interview/s to discuss future options, careers ideas and routes.

Applications for school or college ideally need to be completed by end of January (Check 6th form deadlines)

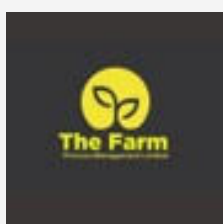
If you are looking for apprenticeships, you can register with <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> to keep an eye on vacancies; you might also need a back-up plan such as full-time college or 6th form.

If anybody still needs some support, please get in contact:

Email: masonk@thehowardschool.co.uk



SIXTH FORM GUEST SPEAKERS



During Term 1 & 2 we have welcomed various guest speakers to talk with our Year 12 & 13s cohort, these have included:

Jon Lovell from The Farm talking about careers in the customer service and sales sector and offering some part-time employment opportunities.

Jess Pieri from Not Going to Uni talked about apprenticeships, employment and taking a gap year.

We are planning to have guest speakers attending throughout the year, and already have booked some of our alumni who are hoping to inspire the next generation. and will include talks about how students can be better prepared for life's challenges when they understand the concept of balance.



unifrog

Term 2 has seen us launch Unifrog across all year groups. Unifrog is a one-stop-shop where students can explore their interests, then find and successfully apply for their best next-step after school.

With over 1000 career profiles to explore, live apprenticeship vacancies and various profile quizzes to complete, we hope it will really encourage out students to think about the future.

The Unifrog platform is designed to support learners in making the most informed decisions about their futures and has a range of tools taht are suitable for all year groups.

Key feattures of the platform include:

- Exploring Pathways – personality quizzes, career and subject profiles, MOOCs and webinarrs
- Recording – self-reflection about extracurricular activites and key employability skills
- Opportunities – search tools showing live vacancies/courses/placements for apprenticeships, universities, FE, virtual work experience andmuch more
- Applications – tolls to help stuents build applications for a range of pathways (e.g, CVs, Personal Satement, Common App Essays





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

15th December - Year 11 Mock Results Day
20th January - Year 11 Mock Interview Day
26th January - Year 8 Discovering University
Campus Visit (selected students)
7th February - Year 12 Uni Visit
8th February - All school Careers Fayre
9th February - Year 8 Options Evening



Careers Fayre 2022



Yr11 Mock Interviews 2022

**Year 10 Work
Experience**
12th-16th June

**Year 12 Work
Experience**
17th-21st July

Labour Market Information

UK Overview

Employment

The UK employment rate is **76.3%** (80.4% male, 72.3% female)

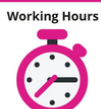


Unemployment

The UK unemployment rate is **3.8%** (4% male, 3.6% female)



The average income is **£30,414** a year

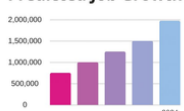


On average people work **31.9** hours a week



4.5 million people are self-employed

Predicted Job Growth



6% growth by 2024 creating **1,974,000** extra jobs in the UK

Fastest growing sectors

Financial Technology
Digital Marketing
Biotechnology
Gaming and Virtual Reality
I.T/Technology
Engineering
Healthcare

Where are the most jobs now?



Wholesale and Retail (4.9million)



Health and Social Care (4.4million)



Science and Technology (3.2million)



Administration (3million)



Education (2.9million)

*LMI obtained from the Office for National Statistics and NOMIS. Last updated January 2020

LMI

What is Labour Market Information?

LMI is the name for facts and figures about jobs and employment. The information is used to give an overall picture of the past, present and future of work.

We have now added a handy tool to our website that will help answer all these questions and give you the most up to date Labour Market Information.

UK Average	Architects	
Weekly Pay £505	Weekly Pay £940	<p>Click to pick a job — OR — Display the UK average</p>
Hours/Week 37.5h	Hours/Week 31h	
Annual Pay £26,260	Annual Pay £48,880	
Hourly Pay £13	Hourly Pay £30	
Workforce Change (projected) Growth 6%	Workforce Change (projected) Growth 4.3%	
Replacement 39.5%	Replacement 55.3%	
<p>The workforce is projected to grow by 6% over the period to 2024, creating 1,974,000 jobs. In the same period, 39.5% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 13,115,000 job openings.</p> <p>This is the average combined for all industries across the UK. The pay and hours are that of an average full-time employee in this job, including bonuses, before tax and deductions.</p>		
<p>You might find this job in Architectural & related Services to buildings Membership organisations Specialised construction</p>		
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WHERE ARE THEY NOW

Rob O'Mara
Director of Sports at St Andrews
School, Turi, Kenya



When did you leave The Howard School?

I left The Howard School towards the end of Year 8 (1991).
My family relocated and we moved North to Humberside.

Did you go to the Howard School?

What are your favourite memories of School?

I loved being part of the Cross Country team which often got me an afternoon off school!
I really got into my sport whilst at The Howard School and this shaped my future career.

What do you do now?

I have been a PE teacher for the past 18 years and currently work as a Director of Sport in one of Kenya's top schools.
I teach in the Rift Valley which is where all the top Kenyan athletes come from and where world class athletes come to train.

How did you get to where you are today?

As I said before I started to really get into sports when I was at the Howard School. I played football for Rainham Kenilworth and ran for Medway Athletics Club.
When I moved north, this passion continued to grow so I first studied GCSE PE; then moved on to my A-Levels followed by a Sports Science degree in Lincoln then finally my PGCE in Hull.

What are your plans for the future?

I'm returning to the UK at the end of this term having just been appointed as National Head of PE for a group of alternative provision schools.
I'll be based near Manchester which I'm really excited for as my children share my love of sport and that city has so many opportunities for them.

Finally, what would be your advice to students?

My advice would be that you should follow your interests and passions. If you do a job you love then it never feels like work.
It's also important to set your goals high, no matter what your setbacks. I failed my A-levels first time out but now I teach very successful A-level students.
You can do anything if you refuse to give up.

