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It's been very busy since the start of September and we'd like to share it with you all

Careers Fair – Thursday 18th November

Students in years 9, 10 and 11 attended the post 16 options careers fair in the sports hall. Students moved around the stalls and engaged with the local colleges, universities, training providers and employers. Each student was given a careers passport and asked to obtain a minimum of 6 signatures from exhibitors to be in with a chance of winning a £10 or a £5 Love2shop voucher. The exhibitors gave some great feedback on how well the students interacted.

A big well done to everyone involved as the afternoon was a huge success and a big 'well done' to the winners in each year group.

Year 11 winners: Nardos, Precious, Harry

Year 10 winners: Grace, Abbygail

Year 9 winners: Tegan, Mikolaj



Workplace visit – 12th October

A big thank you to OE Electrics in Wakefield for agreeing to let us bring our first group of year 10 students on a work place visit. Students were greeted by staff and given refreshments before being shown into the conference room for a presentation where they were introduced to the business and watched a short video. The students were then split into groups and taken on a tour of the work place where they were shown the different skills in each department. Students then finished off with a Q&A session with the staff members that took them on the tour. Thank you to the whole team.





Discover US - 23rd November

A group of 7 year 10 students took part in their first event on the Discover Us rolling programme at the University of Sheffield. Students worked alongside university students & staff in two subject taster sessions. Students had a chance to explore the campus and discover the difference between school and university and consider why people go into higher education.



'Pathways to Professions Talks' Healthcare - 29th November

Are you in year 9 or year 10? Do you think you may be interested in going to university?

Each month we are hosting a talk from an outside speaker to explain how you can get into a particular profession. The professions we're hoping to include are; Law, Teaching, Accountancy, Veterinary Medicine and more. The talks will be held on a Monday 2.45pm-3.45pm and a sign up sheet will be outside the careers office. Our second speaker is booked for 17th January and the profession is 'Teaching' so if you're interested come and sign up.

Bikeability - 15th-19th November

Approximately 25 students in year 7 – 11 took part in cycle training & bike maintenance course. The course included skills exercises on the school yard which was followed by basic manoeuvres on local roads for those who had reached the required standard of cycle control. Students also spent some time discussing bicycle maintenance and how to keep their bikes road worthy.





Year 11 College Assemblies & Application Process

During September and October, year 11 students have had presentations from our four main post 16 providers; Barnsley College, Leeds City College, New College Pontefract and Wakefield College. Students were informed about available courses and pathways and encouraged to attend open events.



Year 11 students have been given their username and password for 'eProspectus' which is the online application process. This is a common application form used by some of the local colleges. Students may also need to complete a separate application if applying to an out of area college. Should you need to reset your password at anytime please go to the careers office.

*Apprenticeships
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Students preferring an apprenticeship can create an account on the government apprenticeship website: www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship
Most apprenticeships for students in year 11 will start to be advertised early in 2022.



Year 11 Taster Day – 2nd November

At the beginning of November we were lucky enough to be able to take a group of 60 year 11 students to New College Pontefract to take part in some taster sessions. Students received a warm welcome from the Principal and Vice Principal before they headed off to experience their four subject sessions. The final session, a 'Pathway to Progression Tutorial' focused on different career options and the next steps available to them.

College & Sixth Form Open Events

Askham Bryan College (booking required) Open mornings Sat 29th Jan

Barnsley College Thursday 2nd December 4.00pm – 7.00pm

CAPA College Sunday 16th January

Leeds Arts University (booking required) Wednesday 26th January at

6.30pm **Leeds City College** Saturday 29th January 10am-1pm at Park Lane

NEW College Pontefract Monday 7th February 5pm-7pm

Wakefield College Wednesday 16th February 5pm-7pm

