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Beyond the School Gates

The Careers Newsletter

April 2022

Welcome back to the April issue of the PRS Careers Newsletter. It's been a busy month for career events and open days. A year 11 student visited Uxbridge College because they are starting an Art and Design course there. A few year 10 students went to the BCA open day and found the whole experience very positive. A member of staff took their son who is a student at PRS, to the Jobs and Apprenticeship Fair in Chesham and thoroughly enjoyed their experience. The staff were really helpful and directed their son in to discovering what he really wants to do when he leaves school. There are some virtual events coming up and we will keep you updated on dates and times.

A big welcome to the PRS team to Mrs Redrup our new Careers Lead and 6th Form Raising Achievement Officer.

This month's focus is careers in the care industry. Don't forget, if you want to have a chat about career information, advice and guidance, then come and see me, Mr Stone, in B25 in the SEND Department or Mrs Redrup in the Sixth Form area. Happy Easter to you all!



A big thank you to Mr Instone and the staff who ran a successful 'operation' at the Bucks Skills Hub at Westcott with the Year 10's.

Up and coming events



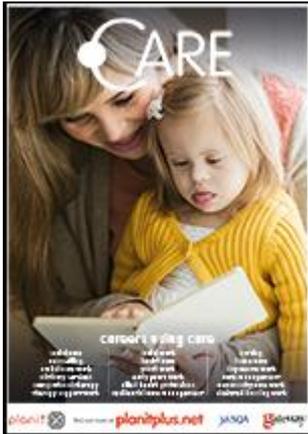
Vodafone have organised a Virtual Work Experience Day on Tuesday 5th April 10am to 3pm. Go to the website bucksskillshub.org for more information.

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Morgan Sindall Construction are offering a Virtual work experience between 23rd and 27th May. To register go to www.s4snextgen.org/students/Take-Part

For those interested in working with animals, Tiggywinkles are offering a limited number of work experience opportunities over Easter. The placements are either Thursday to Saturday, Sunday to Tuesday or Friday to Monday between 9th and 24th April. Go to the website for more information: www.sttiggywinkles.org.uk

Focus on....



My Story



Emma Haggan

Emma works for Bluebird Care in Bournemouth. She always knew a career in care was for her and to provide a high standard of care for the customers was important to her. She began as a care worker, then became a senior care worker, a supervisor and is now care coordinator of both the Bournemouth and Poole offices. She says her progression is down to hard work, support from colleagues and managers and is grateful for all the courses and diplomas she has undertaken. She is still being offered further education at no cost to herself, so she always has opportunities to progress in her career. She works with great work colleagues who are excellent care workers and she gets great job satisfaction from her day-to-day duties. You can get into social care careers with youth-friendly employers such as Total People, Qube Learning, NCFE or the Department of Health and Social Care(DHSC) Careers. They may be able to offer traineeships, apprenticeships, graduate schemes, first jobs and careers advice.

Oxford Instruments Analytical LTD are seeking to recruit and train an apprentice to become a highly skilled mechanical engineer in High Wycombe. The closing date for applications is 11th July 2022.

Top Tread are seeking to recruit an enthusiastic individual to complete an apprentice as a mechanic. The closing date for applications is 1/8/22.

For further information visit findapprenticeship.gov.uk

Our careers focus in this month's newsletter is Care. When it comes to care as a career choice, the term care umbrellas many opportunities that are available. A care worker has alternative titles such as care assistant, support worker or nursing home assistant. You may want to be a health trainer, a support worker, a youth worker. If you have an interest in particular subject's you may want to look into drama therapy, horticultural therapy or music therapy. There are many opportunities. So where do you start? There are different ways to get into the role. You can get into a career in care by taking a college course. Courses include a Level 1 Certificate in Health and Social Care, a Level 2 Diploma in Care and a T Level in Health. The entry requirements for these courses are 2 or fewer GCSE's at grades 3 to 1 for a level 1 course, 2 or more GCSE's at grades 9 to 3 for a level 2 and for a T Level you will require 4 or 5 GCSE's at grades 9 to 4. You could try to into a career in care through an adult care worker intermediate apprenticeship or a lead adult care worker advanced apprenticeship. Gaining good GCSE's would be required but you will need 5 GCSE's at grades 9 to 4 or equivalent for an advanced apprenticeship. Another way in is to take up voluntary work in a care home, work for a charity organisation, in a hospital or a hospice. The opportunities are out there. For more information about careers in care visit-

skillsforcare.org.uk healthcareers.nhs.uk nationalcareers.gov.uk

Notes for the Diary

Bucks College Open Days

Amersham Campus

Saturday 3rd April 10am-1pm

Aylesbury Campus

Saturday 7th May 10am-1pm

Wycombe Campus

Wednesday 27th April 5.00pm -7.30pm

BCA Open Evening

Wednesday 4th May 5.00pm-7.30pm

There are apprenticeships available in the army where you can earn as you learn and travel the world. The army is one of the UK's apprenticeship employer providers and offer different apprenticeships in a range of trades and skills. To find out more information visit apply.army.mod.uk

The Creative Collective hold a 'Film Club' for 11-19 year olds at The YES Shop, Queensmere Centre, Slough every Monday (excluding Bank Holidays) 5pm -6.30pm. If you want to be a filmmaker and take part in some practical filmmaking and want to know how your love of film can become a career, then why not pop along.