

CAREERS

Newsletter

Spring Half Term 1

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Welcome to the Spring half term CEIAG newsletter! There has been lots of exciting activities happening this half term with lots more to come before Easter. Enjoy!

Year 7 Discovery Day – Northumberland College



Year 7 students enjoyed their day at Northumberland College exploring a range of careers available in the Northeast and different routes into them. The students were a credit to the school and the college staff were very impressed!

Year 8 NHS Careers Performance

Year 8 students experience the NHS travelling theatre company this half term. They learned all about alternative careers in the NHS and how to access these careers. This was a follow up session from the Melissa Bus visit in the summer term of year 7 where students were introduced to NHS careers.



Year 10 DWP Workshops: Preparing for Interviews & Work Experience

Year 10 were involved in their latest DWP Skills Session this half term, focussing on interview skills. This is part of their preparation for work experience this summer. The deadline for work experience placements is 6th March 2023 – forms should be handed to Miss Wright.

NUSTEM Activities

We have a very successful partnership with NUSTEM and this half term has seen lots of activities taking place across the school. Year 7 enjoyed a Light Painting Workshop and have been introduced to 'Chemists of the Week' in their science lessons. Other year groups took part in an NUSTEM Assembly, looking at different STEM careers in the North East.

Year 10 Newcastle College Trip

Selected Year 10 students were given the opportunity to visit Newcastle College to take part in a variety of taster sessions, such as Childcare, Construction, Sport & Policing and Travel & Aviation. Staff at the college said students were a real credit to the school. Students also received a campus tour and a talk about different options available to them post-16.



Year 11 Guidance Interviews

Year 11 have been receiving their independent guidance interviews over the last few months from our careers advisor. Students have access to the notes from the meeting via their Unifrog account. If any year 11 student would like a follow up guidance interview, please email Miss Wright to organise this. If parents/guardians would like to receive a copy of the notes, please get in touch and we can provide you with this.



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Year 12 Mock Interview Day

Our Y12 students, and some of our Y13 students, took part in a Speed Interview event on Thursday 2nd February. Visitors from our partners Northumbria University, AkzoNobel, Merit Holdings, Northumberland County Council and Northumbria Healthcare joined us for a busy morning of 10-minute interviews in quick succession. Students had to produce a CV in advance and were asked questions about their strengths, weaknesses and future aspirations. Whilst some were nervous to begin with, all students did themselves proud, some even came back for a second or third interview! Our visitors were really impressed with how polite, confident and focused our NE6 students were and are excited about working with us moving forward. Some students even have additional interviews lined up for future job prospects. All in all, a brilliant morning!



Dates for your Diary!

There are lots of activities coming up in the next half term:

Year Group	Activity
7	6 th March: National Careers Week lessons 16 th March: DWP Session: Career Skills
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9	6 th March: National Careers Week lessons 14 th March: Barclays Life Skills: Financial Literacy
10	1 st March: Mock Interview Day
11	Ongoing: Next Steps Interviews with Miss Wright Date TBC: Apprenticeship Workshop with Ask Apprentice Various Sessions: College Drop in Sessions
Sixth Form	1 st March: Careers Fair at Ashington Academy 6 th March: National Careers Week Ongoing: Next Steps interviews with the Sixth Form Team





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National Apprenticeship Week

We have been celebrating NAW at Bedlington and students have received a huge amount of information about apprenticeships via tutors, lessons and social media posts. Hopefully students have enjoyed finding about the vast array of apprenticeships available to them after school, both level 3 and degree level.

Information for Parents:

Amazing Apprenticeship record regular blogs for parents with information about apprenticeships and routes into them:

https://amazingapprenticeships.com/the-parent-perspective-podcast/?utm_source=email&utm_medium=PPP&utm_campaign=NAW2023

Government produced information for parents (new ones each month) with links to useful sites:

[Support for parents and guardians \(apprenticeships.gov.uk\)](https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/support-for-parents-and-guardians)

Information for Students:

Amazing Apprenticeships have a host of games that provide information about apprenticeships:

[Apprenticeship Arcade - Amazing Apprenticeships](https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/games)

Unifrog also has a wealth of information about apprenticeships for you to access. Log in to your account here: [Sign In - Unifrog](https://www.unifrog.com/sign-in)

