



# BULLETIN



Our termly bulletin aims to keep parents and carers informed of all the personal development activities happening in school, how to support your child and how to get involved with the programme in school.

## SANDY GUNN - CAREERS IN ENGINEERING

An interesting look back in time at the the story of Sandy Gunn and his Spitfire and an exciting look forwards into the future and the 4th industrial revolution considering quantum processors, the 'internet of things', nano-technology, cyborgs and 3D printing.

Students who study DT and Engineering were selected to hear from our guest speakers about project AA810 - the rebuilding of the famous Spitfire. The project is a partnership based on a 3 year cycle as part of a prestigious network of schools and engineers in aerospace. They have exciting plans for the future and aim to inspire as many young people as possible to join this field of work.



Above: A Rolls Royce Merlin XX Engine (fitted in Beaufighters, Hurricanes, Lancasters and Spitfires.)

Right: The Spitfire AA180 in 1942

Below right: A student using the AI drone training suite



## YEAR 13 MOCK INTERVIEWS



Feedback on our careers events last term has been very positive.

During the pandemic we were forced to consider an alternative to our mock interview experience and moved the event online. Whilst initially an unusual experience for all we soon realised that this opened up a much wider field of potential interviewers and much more flexibility. It also mirrored, and continues to, the recruitment methods seen in industry. The student feedback is overwhelmingly positive too. It is for this reasons we have continued with online interviews this year.

Surveying the students in advance about their career aspirations enabled us to work along side professionals from the 'Education and Employers' network to match interviewers with students chosen career paths in most cases. We were also able to work closely with Reed recruitment using their HR professionals to conduct interviews and offer interview tips to students. Our panel this year included doctors, dentists, engineers, armed forces and representatives from the DWP, Bank of America.

## LIFE AFTER CROSSLEY HEATH EVENT

This years' event was bigger and better than ever before with even more guest speakers able to join us as well as partners from further afield offering digital talks and resources.

We collaborated with Russel Group universities Durham, Newcastle, Bristol and Sheffield to deliver sessions all about making course decisions, the application process, study skills and preparing for university life. Huddersfield University shared important information about student finance and brought along their student ambassadors for some student Q&A.

For those not planning to go to university we hosted Deloitte and Covea delivering sessions all about apprenticeship routes to employment with degree qualifications and Calderdale College sharing information on T Levels and apprenticeship options in our area.

If there are any particular themes you would like to see at the next 'Life After' event please don't hesitate to get in touch.

## CAREERS ADVISOR APPOINTMENTS

Our Careers Advisor Karen Duckworth has been covered, in her absence, by Katie Copson. Any missed appointments are being made up and we should be up to date by the end of this half term. If you require assistance in the meantime please contact her by email at: [katie.copson@ckcareers.org.uk](mailto:katie.copson@ckcareers.org.uk)

**CLOSING DATE FOR  
SIXTH FORM  
APPLICATIONS**







SPRING 23

PERSONAL  
DEVELOPMENT &  
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## NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK 6-10 FEB 2023

During the week we will be holding year group assemblies with guest speakers from a variety of apprenticeship providers to raise awareness about the variety of routes into employment and a way to gain a level 3/degree/masters level qualification whilst both working and earning.

**An invitation to our  
Apprenticeship Events in 2023**

**Tuesday 28 February** - The John Smith's Stadium  
Stadium Way, Huddersfield, HD1 6PG

**Thursday 2 March** - Dewsbury Town Hall  
Wakefield Old Road, Dewsbury, WF12 8DG

**Wednesday 8 March** - The Shay Stadium  
Shaw Hill, Halifax, HX1 2YT

Save the dates!

5.00 - 8.00pm

**National Apprenticeship Week**  
6-10th February 2023

Search Apprenticeship Vacancies

## NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK 6-10 MARCH 2023

There will be a selection of careers related activities happening during NCW from in-lesson links to employment, to assemblies and tutorial activities.

Year 7 will be doing enterprise lessons in PD as part of the 10X Challenge.

Year 12 will be out on work experience.

On Unifrog there will be a programme of webinars and a virtual careers fair on Wednesday 8 March 16:30-19:00

The annual fair is a unique opportunity to compare all the different post-school pathways side by side so students can make the best decision for themselves. They'll have the chance to learn about leading employers, universities, and apprenticeship providers in live sessions and drop by their virtual booths to chat with them directly! Perfect for students in years 10 to 13.

Visit [www.unifrog.org](http://www.unifrog.org)

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**#NCW2023**

NCW NatWest Group

## CROSSLEY HEATH CAREERS FAIR 17 MARCH 2023

This whole school event will see representatives from a wide variety of local/national universities, colleges, training providers and employers exhibiting in our sports hall. Students will have designated visiting periods during the school day where they can ask questions and explore potential future steps. More details will follow in due course.



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To coincide with National Careers Week Year 12 will take part in work experience for 1 week from the 6th - 10th of March 2023.

Letters have been sent to parents and students have been sent a guide including letter templates and top tips.

Work experience is an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of a working environment, develop some 'soft skills' and observe first hand what a job really entails. Working in the field your child is interested in is beneficial but it is important to remember that *any* work experience (in addition to any existing part-time employment) is valuable. It will look great on their CV/personal statement and they may even be able to ask their host employer for a reference when applying for a future job.

Timeline reminder:

27th January - Deadline for parental consent form

3rd February -Deadline for student responses

W/c 27th February -Final preparation work carried out and students contact employers to make final arrangements by telephone.

Monday 7th March -Work Experience commences

If you work for a company that would host a work experience student please get in touch with more details using the link on the next page.



## SUPPORTING OUR CAREERS PROGRAMME

If you or your workplace could support our careers programme in any way we would love to hear from you.

We are particularly interested in people who work in recruitment/HR to conduct some online Yr13 mock interviews.

Could you or your place of work host a year 12 student next March for their week of work experience?

Is your place of work local? Could they host short visits for larger groups of KS4 students to offer some insight into different working environments?

Could you come in to school to support potential enterprise events, working with students on a brief and offering them feedback to help simulate a real life work situation?

Do you work for an organisation who provide apprenticeship opportunities and could come in to deliver an assembly about this route into employment?

Would your organisation like to exhibit at our careers fair?

## TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY ALL YEAR GROUPS

We would like to encourage all our students to get as much work experience as possible right from year 7 through to year 13.

School INSET days offer the perfect opportunity to spend a day in a workplace. If you are able to facilitate visits for your child on INSET days, or during school holidays this would be of great benefit to them.

Training days left this year 22/23:

Monday 20th February

Monday 17th April

Friday 23rd June

Any student who goes on a visit to a workplace for the day will be encouraged to complete a journal of the day and log it on Unifrog. We will be running a competition at each INSET day for students to enter their journals to win a prize.



If you feel you could offer any opportunities like this to our students please let us know by completing [this online form](#)





## IN THE CLASSROOM

In Personal Development lessons Year 7 are completing a unit all about healthy routines, influences on health, managing changes in relation to growing up and puberty, unwanted contact, and FGM. Later this term they will move on to an exciting enterprise unit in which they will work in groups on business ideas. To finish the term they will do some work on e-safety and revisit our school values and British Values.

Year 8 are learning about equality of opportunity in careers and life choices, and different types and patterns of work in the future, financial decision making and their role in the economy. Later this term they will move onto a unit on emotional wellbeing and steps we can take to promote positive mental health.

Year 9 too have been looking at mental health with a focus on positive coping strategies. Following this they will move on to look at financial decision making and the economy.

Year 10 have started the year looking in more detail at healthy relationship expectations, relationship myths, and the impact of the media and explicit images. Leading nicely on from this are a sequence of lessons exploring influence and its impact, drugs, gangs, role models and the media.

Over the autumn term year 11-13 will be looking ahead to their next chapters. Year 12 are focusing on managing new relationships, what makes a healthy relationship as well as spotting characteristics of un-healthy relationships. Following this is a unit on employability linking to their work experience. Following mock exams Yr13 will be exploring the skills and knowledge required for independent living.



## EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

Our extra curricular programme is up and running now and we wish to encourage all our students to take part. It is a great way to make new friends, find a new hobby and develop some new skills.

There is something for everyone! Sports music, debating, languages, chess, art, medsoc. Encourage your child to join one today!

The full list can be found here <https://www.crossleyheath.org.uk/extra-curricular-activities/>



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DAY 27/1

