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Dear Parents/Guardians

The Careers Team would appreciate any feedback that you might have based upon your child's experience of our Career programme to date. Please click this LINK to let us know. Many thanks

Careers Guidance

Our Careers Adviser, Mrs O'Leary, is currently seeing our Year 11 students for individual careers guidance appointments.

If you require any support with college applications or careers advice then please email careers@wildern.org

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Welcome to our Spring Term 2023/24 Edition

Dragons Den Day

Year 7 students dove into the world of creativity and compassion with a Careers department Dragons Den themed day in January. Focused on crafting heartfelt gifts for adult patients staying in hospital, our classrooms were buzzing with innovative ideas and thoughtful designs, the enthusiasm was infectious. The climax of the day was the nerve-wracking pitch during assembly period 5 where our young entrepreneurs presented their incredible creations to the Dragons. With the winning team 'Thero Bot' being crowned.

Apprenticeship Fair 2023

Our first Apprenticeship Fair was a resounding success, showcasing a myriad of opportunities and pathways for our stduents futures. With representatives from various industries, colleges and apprenticeship providers. The fair provided invaluable insights into the world of apprenticeships. Students and Parents had the chance to engage directly with our visitors gaining firsthand knowledge about the skills, qualifications and experiences required for different apprenticeship roles.







Year 9 Work Skills Day





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Friday 8th March was the culmination of National Careers Week and the return of our Annual Year 9 Work Skills day. An event designed to immerse the students in a lesson of hands-on team building activities. Each student spent an hour in small groups working closely with dedicated volunteers to tackle chanllenges that required effective communication, trust, collaboration and motivation. Some of the activities included students building towers and bridges out of spaghetti, Mountain Survival tasks, simulated emergency situations and more.

We were also lucky enough to welcome back Baasit Siddiqui from the popular TV show "Gogglebox". This unique experience provided an extraordinary opportunity for a group of students to delve into the world of media and television production, with the aim of designing their own TV/media concept and ptching their final ideas to Baasit.

The day provided students with practical insights into teamwork and communication but also they discovered the value of motication and perseverance in overcoming challenges.

Year 8 Speed Networking Day

Year 8 spent the day engaging with volunteers representing various professions.

Each student group had 10-minute sessions with each visitor to explore and discuss career paths and educational background.

Motivating the students by showcasing the diverse array of career options and pathways available to them.





Apprenticeship Assemblys

In an effort to equip our students with valuable insights into their future career paths, years 8, 9, 10 and 11 recently participated in an assembly focused on apprenticeships. The assembly served as a platform for our guest speakers to discuss apprenticeships as a viable alternative to academic routes. With the aim for our students to gain a deeper understanding of the diverse array of industries and professions accessible through apprenticeship programs.



CAREER EVENTS COMING UP IN THE SUMMER TERM

YEAR 10 PRACTICE INTERVIEWS YEAR 10 EXPERIENCE OF A WORKPLACE YEAR 10 COLLEGE TASTER DAYS

USEFUL WEBSITES TO RESEARCH CAREER OPTIONS

- To research careers: <u>https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk</u>
- To help you make informed choices through personality and interests quizzes: <u>https://www.careerpilot.org.uk</u>
- To get career ideas and inspiration: <u>https://icould.com</u>
- To find out more about labour market info on careers of interest: <u>https://www.lmiforall.org.uk</u>
- To research about apprenticeships and vacancies: <u>www.apprenticeships.gov.uk</u>
- Further research on apprenticeships: <u>www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk</u>
- To research traineeship vacancies: <u>www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/traineeship</u>
- Careers information on jobs, work experience and applying to University: <u>www.prospects.ac.uk</u>
- To research degrees: <u>www.ucas.com</u> / <u>www.whatuni.com</u>
- Questions to help you decide on a degree subject and help generate ideas: www.ukcoursefinder.com



WILDERN ALUMNI POST 16 JOURNEYS

We are creating a database of the educational journeys and career paths of ex Wildern students. Information collated will enable us to create inspirational posters for our current students. If you, or a member of your family previously attended Wildern and would like to support this project then please click this <u>link</u> to let us know. Many thanks for your support.



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Join us for a full day of FREE tuition on one of these dates: • Wednesday 10 April 2024, 9.30am – 3.15pm (Foundation paper) • Thursday 11 April 2024, 9.30am – 3.15pm (Foundation paper) • Iriday 12 April 2024, 9.30am – 3.15pm (Higher paper)

Lunch, refreshments and resources are included. The event will also feature a key note talk from Kelly Simm (Commonwealth Games Gymnastics Champion).

Location: The Spark building, Solent University, East Park Terrace, Southampton, SO14 0YN.

Places are limited and registration will close on Sunday 24 March 2024 For further details, please email: **stepintosuccess@solent.ac.uk**

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Make the Future Yours! Issue 1-8 are available.

Features include the Fire Service, 'What would you tell your 15year-old self', Eight unusual courses to study and Engineering - a great career. There is also an article on Studying Esports, where there are now a lot of opportunities for young people.

It can be viewed at www.makethefutureyours.uk/latest-issue

If you missed Issue 8 or any of the previous issues, you can find them at <u>www.makethefutureyours.uk/mtfy-archive</u>





A REMINDER...

We are happy to hear from any Year 11 student who requires additional support with completing their college applications.

Please email careers@wildern.org