



# Woodlands Meed Alumni

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# What is an Alumni & does Woodlands Meed have one?

- An alumni is group of people who have attended or graduated from a school, college or university
- Yes! You will be invited to join the Woodlands Meed Alumni during your last term at Woodlands Meed

# What does the Alumni do?

- Members of the WM Alumni return to Woodlands Meed as guest speakers to inspire current students and reassure them that although it is a challenging time, life will be okay after leaving Woodlands Meed
- Members of the WM Alumni return to Woodlands Meed to give talks at Careers and Transitions events such as the Business Brunch, Careers & Transitions Fair and during National Careers Week
- The WM Alumni gets together in the summer for a WM Alumni Summer BBQ! This is a chance for the leavers be introduced to the WM Alumni and reconnect with ex students to talk about life after Woodlands Meed whilst enjoying a BBQ cooked by Adam Rowland
- The WM Alumni connects on Facebook via the Woodlands Meed Alumni Facebook page to share their experiences after leaving Woodlands Meed

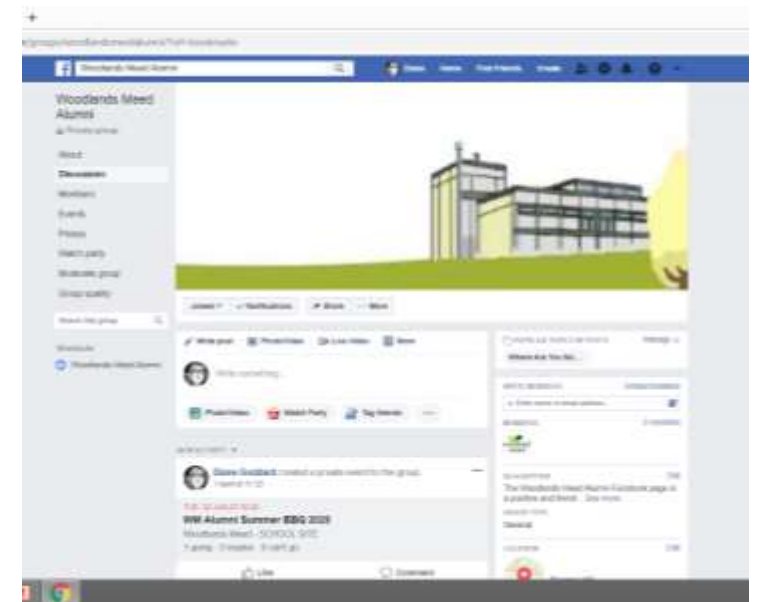
# How do I join the WM Alumni?

You will be given a Leavers Pack in your final term at Woodlands Meed which will include:

- An invitation to join the Woodlands Meed Alumni Facebook Group
- An invitation to attend the Woodlands Meed Alumni Summer BBQ
- A pin badge to keep and wear at future WM Alumni events
- Information/advice/guidance about transitioning to a new college, training provider or employment and what to do if you need help

# Woodlands Meed Alumni Facebook Group

- Monitored by WM staff; Diane Goddard, Transitions TA
- Private group – only members can see what is posted
- Students and/or their parents can join the group
- Membership requests are considered by WM staff
- Three questions must be answered before membership is approved
- Strict rules on privacy, content and behaviour



# Woodlands Meed Alumni Members

## Hugo Edwards

- Gave an inspirational speech at the WM Business Brunch
- Attends Plumpton College
- One day a week work experience with Oathall Farm
- Works part time at Waitrose



## Carl Morgan

- Gave an inspirational speech at National Careers Week
- Worked hard, made contacts, took any help and offered to him
- Runs his own very successful chauffeur business Sussex Prestige Cars



## Peter McCleery

- Gave an inspirational speech at the WM Business Brunch
- Initial work experience with Woodlands Meed IT department
- Used Access to Work scheme and a job coach to support him into employment
- Works full time as ICT Technician at Oathall Community College



# Gatsby Benchmark Three

Addressing the  
needs of each  
pupil

PUPILS HAVE DIFFERENT CAREER GUIDANCE NEEDS AT DIFFERENT STAGES. OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADVICE AND SUPPORT NEED TO BE TAILORED TO THE NEEDS OF EACH PUPIL. A SCHOOL'S CAREERS PROGRAMME SHOULD EMBED EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY CONSIDERATIONS THROUGHOUT.

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