





Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

This term has been very busy, both behind the scenes planning work experience and work place visits for the spring and summer terms as well as having speakers, training and work place visits.

In October a group of students went to Ridgeview Vineyard for the day. They tried their hand at grape picking, choosing the good and bad grapes. They saw the different steps behind making their award winning wines and even got to try the grape juice made from grapes taken off the vine





the day before! Matrix came and spoke to our Year 9 students and, later that day, our KS5 about interview skills and both sessions were fun and very interactive!

In November a group of



students went on a work place visit to Waitrose, Burgess Hill-

they spent time on the till, talking to the café assistant about her role and seeing where deliveries are taken and the products stored.

Woodland Meeds Alumni Kavyna returned to college to share how she is overcoming challenges related to her brain injury. Kavyna played her guitar and answered questions from the students.





ASK Newsletter



HM Government

Parents' and Carers' Pack - the most recent edition of the Parents' & Carers' Pack is now available <u>here</u>, packed full of interesting articles about T Levels, traineeships, apprenticeships and how to search for them. It also explore Supported Internships & hear from apprentices about their roles.

National Careers Service

The National careers Service provides information, advice and guidance to help you make decisions on learning, training and work. For more info click <u>here</u>.

Amazing Apprenticeships and ASK Programme

The Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge Programme for schools and colleges programme (ASK) is a free service to support apprenticeship IAG. For more info click <u>here</u>.

Find an Apprenticeship

This link enables you to search for the latest Apprenticeship vacancies by sector and level in your local area. For more info click <u>here</u>.

Access to Work

Access to Work (AtW) is a publicly funded employment

support programme that aims to help more disabled people start or stay in work. It can provide practical and financial support for people who have a disability or long term physical or mental health condition. For Are you a parent? Would you like to play a role in developing our careers programme? If so we are looking for new members for the MJC steering group!

Please email

<u>careers@woodlandsmeed.co.uk</u> for more information

more info click here.

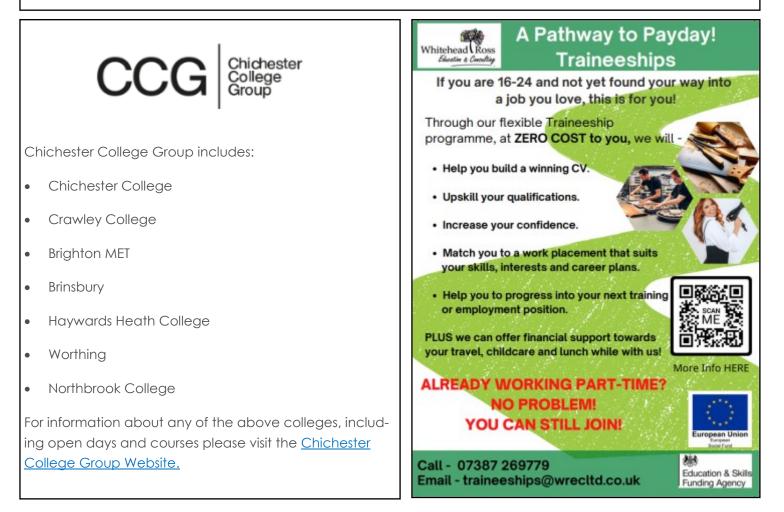
Work Aid

The Work Aid scheme aims to match adults with learning disabilities and/or autism with suitable work placements and includes help for employers to get the most from their valuable and productive new employee. For more info click <u>here</u>.

Traineeships

A traineeship is an education and training programme which incorporates work experience, preparing young people for their future careers by helping them to become 'work ready'. Designed for people aged 16 to 24 who don't yet have the appropriate skills or experience,

traineeships provide the essential work preparation training, English, maths and work experience needed to secure an apprenticeship or employment. For more info click <u>here</u>.



Traineeships Are you aged 16-18 and not currently in education, employment or training?

Would you like to gain accredited qualifications, essential skills and a work placement with a guaranteed interview?

The programme consists of:

- Work ready skills training (CV) writing, interview skills & dealing with your first day at work)
- Maths, English & Digital Skills training to improve your speaking, writing skills, maths skills and digital knowledge
- A real, on the job work placement in your chosen industry

On successful completion of the programme, receive a £50 voucher or FREE provisional driving license

Course length: 6 months including 2 days per week in centre & 3 days at your work experience placement

Benefits not affected by enrolling £50 bursary each month for 85%+ attendance Travel costs covered (tickets/receipts required)

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Supported Employment

WorkAid & Workability

Working in partnership to help you find a paid job.

West Sussex

Contact us



workaid@aldingbourne.org

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01903 730044

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Learn more

BUILDING CONNECTIONS



Young People aged 16-25

Do you need help finding work? Have you got ambitions, but you don't know how to follow them? Are you not sure where to start to find opportunities to boost your CV and connect you to local employers? Give us a shout - we're trying a new approach to helping you find your path. Building Connections is made possible by UK Youth and Coca-Cola Europacific Partners (CCEP).

To start your journey email Anna Sharkey from the Bentswood Hub at anna.sharkey@sussexcvp.org.uk

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Have you heard about Aldingbourne Trust and the amazing support they can offer young people (+16) with Lifelong Disability from West Sussex? No? Aldingbourne has kindly offered to run a online session specifically for our parents. Please email careers@woodlandsmeed.co.ukif you would be inter-

local Offer

The West Sussex Local Offer helps you find information about local services, support and events for children and young people aged

0 - 25 years who have special educational needs or disabilities (SEND). For more info click here.