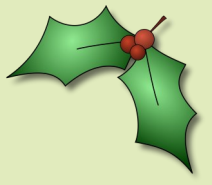




MJC Update

December 2024



The Christmas Edition

Welcome to the Christmas edition of the MJC update. We have had a very busy term settling into our new college building and providing our students with careers learning and activities.

Our Supported Internship pilot has exceeded everyone's expectations and is something we are most proud of.

The student-run Inspire Café has been a roaring success providing students with meaningful work experience, and staff with coffee!

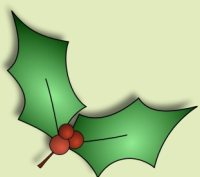
Students in year 11 and 13 were given the opportunity to have impartial 1:1 personal guidance with a qualified careers advisor.

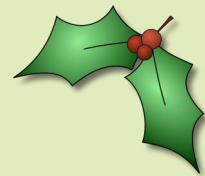
We will be back with another MJC update in the spring term, following National Careers Week. It's already looking like it's going to be a fun and inspiring week of careers events, talks, visits, and activities!

But for now, take a look to see what else we have been up to this term....

The MJC Team;

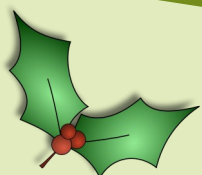
Nola, Diane & David

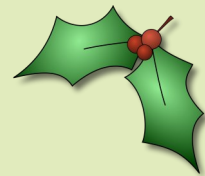




Crafties Enterprise

This year's retail enterprise group named themselves 'Crafties' and produced some high quality Christmas cards and gift tags with minimal waste, and products that are fully recyclable! They have looked at how to manage a budget and price their products to make a profit. Their products have been sold at the Christmas Fair and to college staff. In the new year, the team will be looking at opportunities to boost sales.





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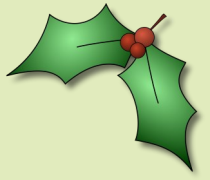
Time4Transition Fair



Thanks to our amazing new college hall we were able to host our very own Careers and Transitions Fair 'Time4Transition', in-house! Students from key stages 4 and 5 visited the fair for the afternoon meeting local employers, day service providers, further education colleges, independent settings and support services. Parents/carers were able to visit the event during parents' evening to explore post Woodlands Meed options. We hope this even was useful and would welcome any feedback.



Lost Woods Project

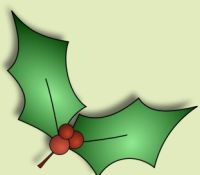


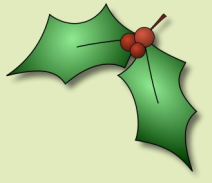
Students from key stage 5 took part in the Lost Woods Project this term, working in the woods.

The Lost Woods Project is bringing local people together to learn about, explore, and care for woods across the Low Weald and Downs.

This is a 5 year project to reconnect with our ancient woodlands and revive, restore, and protect them for future generations.

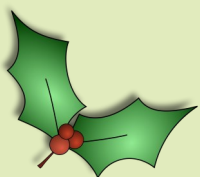
For more information: [Home](#) | [The Lost Woods Project](#)

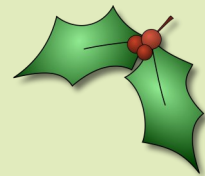




Experience of the Workplace

This term, Woodlands Meed Radio host Zack, visited local More Radio, and met the presenters of the breakfast show, who showed him the inner workings of radio!





Inspire Cafe



Introducing Aaron; one of Inspire Café's Assistant Managers. Aaron is an expert barista making hot, fresh coffee and providing excellent customer service. Aaron has secured himself his first part time job in a local café, using his experience at working at Inspire Café to support his application and be successful at interview.

Well done Aaron, we are extremely proud of you!



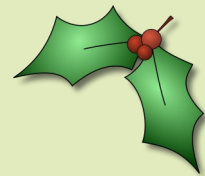


Inspire Cafe



Inspire Café is run by an incredible team of students, but it's important that the customers understand the pressured environment of running a busy coffee shop.... So they put Nola and Mark from Leadership to work!





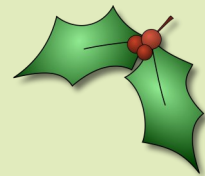
Business Breakfast



Students from the Hospitality and Catering Enterprise hosted a Business Breakfast for local business. They served a selection of healthy breakfast items with tea, coffee and juice to a very grateful group of business people. We would like to thank the following businesses who attended this event:

ABCOM, Alex Ricard Photography, BHBPA, BSE3D, Burgess Hill School for Girls, BH Town Council, Certas, Comply Sense, Consort Frozen Foods, CT Sussex, Dame Vera Lynn Charity, Flexibility Matters, Fresh Display, ILG, LVS Hassocks, Kangaroos, Mid Sussex Active, MSVA, Newman Thompson, Next Step Apprenticeships, NIO Comm, PVL, Richard Strange, Sales 2 Success, Social Innovation for All, TS Professional Sound and Light, UK Growth Coach, Wellesley, WSCC





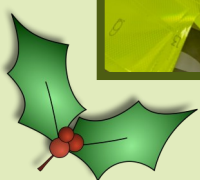
PVL Supported Internship

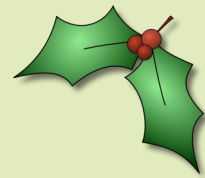
Meet Patrick, our Supported Intern. Patrick goes to work at PVL 3 days a week, and spends the remaining 2 days continuing his studies at WM College.

Patrick is learning all aspects of the business and is developing his employability skills, whilst being supported by one of our job coaches.

You're doing an incredible job Patrick, and we are super proud of you!

For further information about supported internships for 2025/25 please visit the website: [Woodlands Meed - Supported Internships](#)





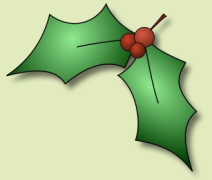
MJC Update

It was a pleasure to welcome over 40 members of the Woodlands Meed Alumni to the new college this term. They were given a tour of the new facilities, and a presentation about the Supported Internships on offer for 2025/26.

Whilst consuming vast quantities of pizza, they had the chance to network, catch up with old friends and speak to their old staff; providing updates on what they are doing since leaving Woodlands Meed.

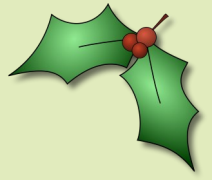
Updates included graduating from university, progressing at college, passing driving tests and securing paid employment.





Alumni Pizza Night





Destinations Data 2024/25

Leavers 2023/24 Destination Data Report

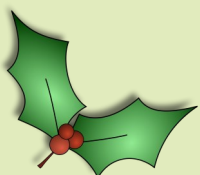
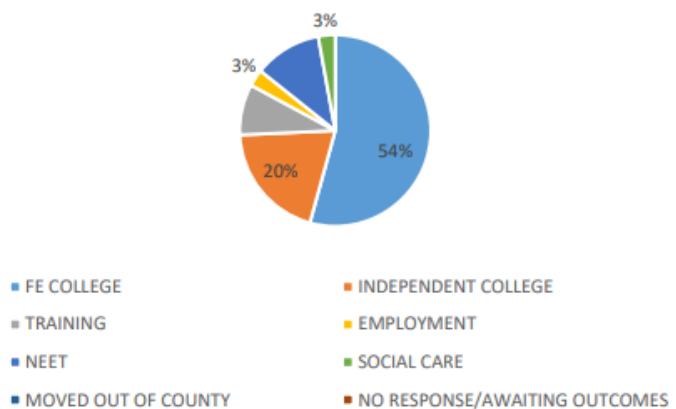
2023/24 Leavers Destinations	1 Year Post WM 2024/25		2 Years Post WM 2025/26		3 Years Post WM 2026/27		4 Years Post WM 2027/28		5 Years Post WM 2028/29	
35 students	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
FE College	19	54								
Independent College	7	20								
Training	3	9								
Employment	1	3								
NEET	4	11								
Social Care	1	3								
Moved Out of County	0	0								
No Response	0	0								

Leavers Destinations

74% of leavers moved into education (54% into FE and 20% into independent). 9% moved into training including the MJC PVL UK Supported Internship, Café Domanica Supported Internship and the British Army. One individual went into social care and 1 went into employment. The individual successfully gained employment following on from MJC organised work experience with Chambers and Partners.

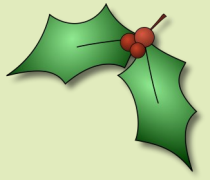


2023/24 Leavers 1 Year Post Woodlands Meed (2024/25)





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College Open Days

Plumpton College January 18th 2025

[January Open Event - Plumpton College](#)

Chichester College 6th March 2025

[Open Events | Chichester College](#)

Crawley College 11th March 2025

[Open Events | Crawley College](#)

Brinsbury College 8th March 2025

[Open Events | Brinsbury College](#)

Brighton MET 11th March 2025

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Lewes College 13th February 2025

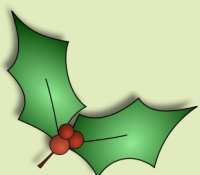
[Open Events | East Sussex College](#)

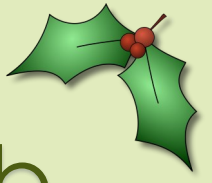
DV8 Sussex 25th January 2025

[Year 11 Open Event - January 2025 - DV8 Sussex](#)

St Johns College 16th January

[Open days | St.John's College](#)





The Meed's Job Club
would like to express our
gratitude to our
employer partners and
wish you all a very
Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!



PVL

Consort Frozen Foods

More Radio

Burgess Hill Business Parks Association

