# PATHWAYS AND EMPLOYABILITY NEWSLETTER

It's been another busy half term at The Hazeley Academy, and we are delighted to share information with you regarding the Pathways and Employability events and activities that our students have been engaged in!

# Careers Week - Years 7, 8 and 9

All students in Years 7, 8 and 9 took part in Careers Week during November, during which their subject lessons highlighted the range of career opportunities linked to their areas of study, the importance of developing skills and competencies and Labour Market Information regarding salary details and future job prospects. It is vitally important that our students have high aspirations and can see the links between their curriculum study and future opportunities. The feedback we received from students was incredibly positive and it is fantastic to know that they would like to achieve great things!

# <u>Year 7 – Unifrog</u>

Year 7 students were provided with an opportunity to use the Unifrog platform for the first time. Please do discuss Unifrog with your child(ren) at home as it is a fantastic platform that allows students to explore future opportunities. Unifrog can be found at the following address and student's usernames are their school email addresses:

www.unifrog.org



# Year 9 - Speed Networking Event

Students in Year 9 attended a speed networking event, which was held within the school, and met with professionals from local businesses.

# <u>Year 9 and 10 – Niftylift – Women in</u> <u>Engineering</u>

A small group of female Year 9 and 10 students attended the Niftylift Women in Engineering event which was held at Niftylift head office in Shenley Wood. The event ended with our students experiencing a ride in a 28ft cherry picker, which really was a highlight!



# Year 10 Work Experience

Students in Year 10 are busy securing work experience placements for May 2023. We are now using a company called Proactive Education.



#### Year 11 - Speed Networking Event

Students in Year 11 attended a speed networking event, which was held within the school, and met with professionals from local businesses.

#### Year 11 1:1 Advice and Guidance Meetings

Students in Year 11 continue to meet with Mrs Harris, Pathways and Employability Lead, to discuss their post-16 pathway planning.

<u>Year 12 – Global Head of Cyber Security at Standard Chartered Bank</u> The Global Head of Cyber Security at Standard Chartered Bank (a former Shenley Brook End student) met with students in Year 12 to inspire them to consider careers within the cyber security sector.

#### Year 12 – Speed Networking Event

Students in Year 12 attended a speed networking event, which was held within the school, and met with professionals from local businesses.

#### Year 13 1:1 Form Tutor Pathway Meetings

Students in Year 13 are continuing to research their post-18 pathway planning and met with their Form Tutors to discuss their intended destinations for September 2023. Students are considering University, entering the world of work, applying for apprenticeships or undertaking a gap year.

# Year 13 Apprenticeship Support Group

Our Year 13 apprenticeship students have been searching and applying for opportunities and have been able to attend the Apprenticeship Support Group sessions offered by Miss Tyrell, Assistant Head of Sixth Form. The last session focused on preparing for the challenges of attending an assessment centre as part of potential recruitment procedures.

Year 12 and 13 1:1 Advice and Guidance Meetings

Students in Year 12 and 13 continue to meet with Mrs Harris, Pathways and Employability Lead to discuss their post-18 pathway planning.









# A BIG THANK YOU AND A HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

We would like to thank our local business partners, our governors and trustees, partner education providers both locally and regionally and our parent community for supporting our students as they continue their pathway journey through the academy and become the best version of themselves.

# CONTACT

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