

CEIAG Report to Parents and Governors

2019

There has been a huge amount of activities and events with regards to CEIAG at Priory throughout 2019 and an increased number planned for 2020.

Since returning to school in September, there have been various assemblies for Year 11. Runshaw, Newman, Hutton Sixth Form and Preston's Colleges have presented assemblies to Year 11, talking about the courses, programme, enrichment activities and apprenticeship opportunities available. Myerscough College are due to come in before Christmas with Southport, Training 2000 and Blackburn College after Christmas.

Year 11 have also had a CEIAG themed PSHE day with apprenticeship information from Amazing Apprenticeship (ASK), a CV workshop delivered by the NHS and a careers talk by the RAF and Army.

The Science department ran a well-received Science/STEM careers fayre where every pupil in school had the opportunity to visit.

Year 10 undertook a very successful week of work experience in June, along with sampling days at Runshaw, Newman and Preston's Colleges. Prior to work experience week all of Year 10 participated in a mock interview day. The entire year completed a 'speed networking morning' where they spoke in groups of 6 to 5 to local employers. This was then followed by a 15 minute formal interview with an employer. In between the 'speed networking' and formal interviews, all Year 10 pupils also had the opportunity to listen to David Taaffe from the DWP talking about Labour Market Information and pupils' digital footprints.

Mr Bullock and Mrs Eastham launched the Year 10 work experience programme in October for our current Year 10 (all of Year 10 go out at the end of March for a full week).

As in previous years our current Year 10 are already booked to complete their sampling days at Runshaw College (20 June 2020), Newman College (1 July 2020) and Preston's College (2 July 2020) in the summer term. In addition, a small group of pupils will also complete a bespoke taster day at Hutton Grammar.

The National Citizen Service presented an assembly to Year 11 in the summer term, followed by a number of drop-ins. Last year, 10 students took part in the scheme.

Our Year 11 leavers were present for a speech by former Priory pupil and now England U21 football physiotherapist Jon Alty. He talked through his transition from Priory to college, university and then his chosen career path.

College application are now being completed by Year 11 and, like previous years, Runshaw College will be visiting the school in January to complete their interviews at Priory.

A number of Year 11s have had 1-1 interviews with Priory's Independent Careers Adviser, Mrs Khan. During the interviews pupils are also offered help sheets for letters of applications and CVs. Mrs Khan also offers a drop-in service for all year groups before school and during break and lunch.

The annual careers fair took place in January and was very successful, with around 30 exhibitors. Every pupil in school had the opportunity to visit for an hour during the school day.

There have been a number of CEIAG events for each year group throughout the year. These CEIAG events allowed the opportunity for pupils to discuss career opportunities and take part in a range of activities provided by each employer.

- Year 7 - TSB Bank, DWP, Army, Fire Service
- Year 8 – Army – Forensic Science, Fitness, Teambuilding
- Year 9 – Building Bridges, Digital Footprint

Away from large year group activities there have also been a number of smaller activities run by departments throughout 2019 including:

- Year 10 and 11 visited Runshaw College - Forensic Psychology: Offender Profiling Workshop
- Year 10 and 11 visited Runshaw College – Krypton Factor
- Year 8 and 9 visited BAE Systems – Design and Make it Challenge
- Year 7, 8 and 9 visited Old Trafford, Manchester – Getting into top universities
- Year 9 – University of Central Lancashire – Lego Robotic Challenge
- Year 10 and 11 visited Runshaw College – Surprising Science
- Year 7 to 11 visited the NEC (Birmingham) – Big Bang Science Show 2019
- Year 7 to 9 visited Leyland Civic Centre – Rotary BAE Challenge
- Year 7 to 10 visited Preston's College – STEM Centre Visit
- Year 10 and 11 University of Manchester – Code Breaking Challenge
- Year 10 and 11 Runshaw College – Runshaw Food Challenge Day
- Year 7 to 9 Training 2000 – Girls Into Engineering
- Year 7 to 9 Tarleton High School – Aim Higher
- Year 7 to 9 University of Leeds

Our Enterprise Advisor, Shaheen Gul from Inspira, has provided tremendous support in forging links with local employers and has supported us through the early adoption of Compass and Tracker to identify any issues in relation to the Gatsby Benchmarks.

In order to keep up to date with all career aspects the careers team at Priory have attended various CEIAG events including a partner high school day at Runshaw College, a teachers and advisers day at Preston's College, an introduction to T-Levels by Newman College and CEIAG meetings run by ELTSA and Inspira. We have also delivered a session to the Inspira group based around our work experience model and Mrs Hopes is working towards the completion of her Careers Leader Award.

Careers information and events continue to be sent home weekly via the school newsletter and emailed to specific year group pupils, parents and carers. These messages are also shared via our social media outlets (Facebook and Twitter) where appropriate.