



Mock Interviews

Year 10 and 12 students took part in employer led mock interviews last week. The experience forms part of the work experience programme within school and helps students get an idea of what an interview is like with someone they do not know. It is a chance for students to be put on the spot and discuss their skills and achievements. We worked in partnership with Ahead, who organised for volunteers from a range of sectors to come into school over the course of two days, including from companies such as Progeny Group, Jacobs Engineering, KPMG and Yorkshire Water.

The feedback from the employers was incredible, with many commenting on how impressed they were with the range of activities and experiences they are engaging in outside of the classroom. Employers look for students to be able to evidence their transferable skills in interviews by giving specific examples, so this was wonderful to hear.

Students feedback was positive with many saying they felt that the experience has prepared them for future interviews.



YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK

Work experience was launched to help our students' develop a greater appreciation of employment and experience the world of work whilst at the same time providing them with an opportunity to build self-confidence and reflect on their own skills. We have designed the programme to give students a similar experience to the real world of work and it will complement careers activities year 10 students are already undertaking allowing them to make informed decisions about their future. The majority of the students have sourced their own work experience with assistance being given where needed.

Feedback from both employers and students has been overwhelmingly positive.



William McIntosh - Ginetta Cars

William has been working at Ginetta in Leeds for his placement. Ginetta is a British manufacturer of world renowned race cars from junior to prototype level. William has an interest in cars and has really enjoyed his placement. He particularly enjoyed how loud the cars were in the workshop and has had a chance to get stuck in helping with wiring and in the engine room. Staff at Ginetta commented on William's punctuality and how he is willing to give anything they ask of him a go!

Aran Handa - Kingswell Watts Solicitors

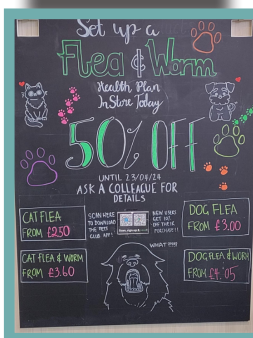
Aran secured a placement with Kingswell Watts Solicitors. He has had the chance to gain an understanding of how a law firm works, analyse legal documentation and is also working on an independent research project around international law. His supervisor commented on his listening skills and punctuality.



Mary Kernick and Lisa Want - Pets at Home

Lisa and Mary have been on placement together at Pets at Home. They have had a chance to find out all about working in retail and have been getting stuck in cleaning out the small animals and fish tanks, working together and independently.

They have been tasked with creating an advertisement board for one of the stores current offers and were about to start creating this with chalk when Mrs Ellis visited them. Their supervisor commented on how well they were doing and said they were the best work experience students the store has seen for a few years!!



The careers team are always available to help students prepare for interviews for university, part time work or apprenticeships. Students should contact careersteachers@heckgrammar.co.uk if they would like to book in.



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The Girls Turn



Massive congratulations to our U13 girls football team who have won through to the Spen valley cup final after demolishing Spen valley 8v0 this afternoon. Goals from Amy (2), Florence E (2), Ruby (1), Isabel(1), Eva P (1) & Eva-May (1). Super impressive. Bring on the final

Heckmondwike Grammar School
Music Department

Spring Concert



Featuring our
Concert Band
Junior Choir
Senior Choir
Girls Choir
String Group
Percussion Group
Soul Band

7pm - Wednesday 1st May 2024

To reserve your tickets please click [here](#).
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This week on 



Congratulations to Galaxy and QED, our two teams partaking in the MissionSpace Lab challenge this year! They have designed Python scripts to calculate the speed of the International Space Station using an Astro Pi computer and have achieved 'flight status', Well done!



Congratulations and well done to our Young Enterprise team on winning the Teamwork Award in the area finals last night!



Thank you so much to University of Newcastle for providing our prospective medical students with a fantastic Medical Experience Day yesterday. The students had an amazing day and learnt so much from the variety of sessions and practical



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Diary Events

W/C 22 April - Year 12 Work experience Week

Wed 24 April - GCSE Students Wicked at the Alhambra Theatre

Thurs 25 April - Year 10 Parents' Evening - Booking opens Monday 15 April at 6pm.

Wed 1 May - Spring Concert- see above for details

Thurs 2 May - Yr 9 Parents Evening, details to be shared and booking open Monday 22 April at 18.00

Mon 6 May - Bank Holiday - School Closed

FOOD STALLS
ACTIVITIES
CRAFT STALLS
MASCOT RACE
ENTERTAINMENT

RUNFORJO & FAMILY FUN-DAY
part of THE GREAT GET TOGETHER
INSPIRED BY JO COX
Sunday 23 June 2024
9am-3pm Oakwell Hall & Country Park



JOIN US FOR THE EIGHTH RUNFORJO & FAMILY FUN-DAY IN MEMORY OF JO COX

You can sign up for either the 6.5k cross-country challenge or the 2.5k fun-run, run in fancy dress or just come along to soak up the atmosphere and stay for an afternoon of family fun and entertainment. We'll have food stalls, entertainment, activities and the amazing mascot race.

The RunForJo is a key event during the national celebration 'The Great Get Together' and is part of a series of events organised by More In Common to bring people together and build on Jo's work in our area.

RACE START & FEES

- 9:30am 6.5k cross-country challenge: £16
- 11:30am 2.5k fun run: £5
- Virtual 10km at a time and place of your choice individual entry £20

All entrants will receive a limited edition RunForJo t-shirt and medal.

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BOOK ONLINE
For the cross country challenge visit: <https://racebest.com/races/runforjo2024>
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For the virtual 10km visit: <https://racebest.com/races/runforjovirtual10k>



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