

# Careers & Pathways Newsletter: Spring 2

## What's been happening this half term...

#### Apprenticeship Day!

On 12<sup>th</sup> March, Paget High School held a successful Apprenticeship Day, giving students across multiple year groups valuable insight into future career pathways. The day began with an assembly for Year 9 and Year 10, introducing them to the wide range of opportunities available through apprenticeships. Selected Year 11 and Year 12 students then took part in targeted sessions to help them search for apprenticeship opportunities and prepare for assessment centres – a key part of the application process. In the afternoon, all Year 9 and Year 10 students, along with selected Year 11s, attended an Apprenticeship Careers Fair featuring major employers such as Rolls Royce and Hitachi, alongside local providers like Burton College. This event gave students a fantastic chance to explore real-world options, ask questions directly to employers, and better understand the skills and qualifications needed in different industries.

## Talk About The Future Oracy Workshop

On Tuesday 8th April, all Year 12 students at Paget High School took part in the *Talk About The Future* oracy workshop delivered by Talk the Talk. This expertly delivered session guided students through a range of discussions and activities designed to help them recognise their unique life experiences and skills. More importantly, it supported them in developing the oracy skills needed to communicate those qualities with clarity and confidence. The workshop was a fantastic opportunity for students to reflect on their personal journeys and prepare for future opportunities, whether in further education, training, or employment.

#### Year 7 and 8 Alton Towers Project

Year 7 and 8 students have been continuing to work in collaboration with Alton Towers and the University of Staffordshire on the University's Visitor Attraction and Resort Management Programme. Our team of students have been working together on problem-solving, design, presentation, teambuilding, advertising and much more over 5 weeks after-school. On the first week back after Easter, these students will have the opportunity to visit Alton Towers to present their plans and enjoy the rides!

### Year 12 Psychology Trip to University of Staffordshire

Our Year 12 Psychologists had the opportunity to visit the University of Staffordshire on a 'Psychology in the Real World'. This was a fantastic experience which has inspired many of our students to explore further the study of Psychology at University.

#### Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 Parents' Evening

Impartial and external careers advice was available at all our Parents' Evenings this half term, to support our families with making informed choices about their child's next steps.

#### Year 13 PSE & Next Steps

Year 13 students have had external visitors from Higher Horizons work with them on emotional intelligence, and approaching student life.

#### Year 11 Careers Interviews

Year 11 students who reported needing further pathway support have had additional one-to-one careers interviews with an external and impartial Careers Advisor. Please ensure that your child completes any follow up actions as advised during the appointment - for example this may be to research courses or look into Open Days.

# What's coming up...

- All of Year 12 will be visiting University of Staffordshire for a range of academic lectures and a tour on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June.
- All of Year 12 will have Paget's work experience programme launched to them in May, ready for them to embark on this in October of Year 13.
- All of Year 7 will have the opportunity to visit Twycross Zoo to further understand links to careers in Science and Geography.
- Paget's PSE curriculum continues to be a useful way to inform our students about careers and pathways, with all year groups undertaking compulsory sessions on careers.