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UTCW Weekly Update

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Update this week...

The start of this half term has been successful so far. Year 11 and 13 Pre Public Examinations are going well with students arriving on time and trying their best in all exams. Their hard work isn't going unnoticed - please keep up the positive energy throughout the exams. We wish our students the best of luck for any upcoming PPE's

A reminder that Year 10 PPEs in English Literature are on the 18th/19th March.

This week has been National Apprenticeship Week and students have had some brilliant opportunities to engage with apprentices from a number of organisations. Through our role as a UTC, we work with Springpod - a platform that has created live webinars for students to ask questions to the employees of Airbus, Jaguar Land Rover, and Atkins (amongst many others).

We have also launched the 2019 work experience programme for Year 10 and 12 - please see the details in this bulletin for more information. All students are expected to go out on placement during the summer term.

The professional appearance of students has improved since introducing the college's new strategy on students wearing coats and trainers around the building. A reminder that any student who wears an item that is not part of the business dress code will receive a 30minute same-day detention. If your child does need to wear trainers, please ring the college on 01925 737067 and speak to a member of staff.



Work Experience

A work placement is a brilliant opportunity for students to enhance their skill set, develop their CVs, and prepare for the working world. This is the very reason our UTC was set up.

It is expected that all Year 10 and 12 will go out on work placement from 8th July - 19th July. All students need to be sourcing a placement; if students can't source two weeks work placement, one of the weeks can be spent on placement and the other will be spent in college.

This is a valuable opportunity for students to speak to staff and parents about employer connections and source their work placement. Students received an introduction to work experience on Tuesday - they were advised that employers are more receptive to students who take the initiative and contact the companies directly.

Students will need to download the Connect App to manage their work placement. They will be supported by their PAT tutors who have been trained in how to use this system. Employers will also be allowed to leave feedback on each student who has completed a placement - first impressions count!

Please speak to Mr Hatherall for more information about work experience and see the poster on the right for more guidance.

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Notices

Engineering Design and Systems Coursework Clinics:

Wed 1.18 Miss Culleton/ Mr Hatherall; Wed 2.05 Mrs Owen/ Mr Miller

Wed afters school 1.18 Mr Hatherall

Thurs 1.18 Mr Hatherall

Thurs 2.05 Mr Miller/ Miss Culleton/ Mrs Owen

Fri 2.05 Mr Miller/ Miss Culleton/ Mrs Owen

STUDENTS SHOULD BE ATTENDING AT LEAST ONE PER WEEK!

Year 13 Engineering Catch Up Sessions

The Engineering Department are running year 13 catch up sessions every Thursday and Friday lunch time in 2.05! All year 13 engineers are welcome! Students are also welcome to attend Mrs Owen's other classes to catch up too.

Mr Varey's Fundraising Challenge

Once again, Mr Varey is taking on an epic challenge by running The Uganda Marathon later this year. He will be doing this to raise money for POPYRUS - a charity that helps prevent suicides amongst young people.

Thank you to Warrington Wolves for donating a signed rugby shirt which will be raffled to raise money for the charity! Can you help? We are looking for donations to raffle and for old trainers for the children of Uganda!

We will be following his Mr Varey's journey over the coming months.

Year 11 Intervention

Please ensure you are attending your targeted intervention sessions which are continuing. The recent mock exams are the final opportunity for students to identify their strengths ahead of the real exams that begin soon.

Open Event

If your son/daughter can help out on our next open event on Saturday 16th March, 10.00am–12.30pm, please speak to your subject staff to get involved!

National Citizen Service (NCS)

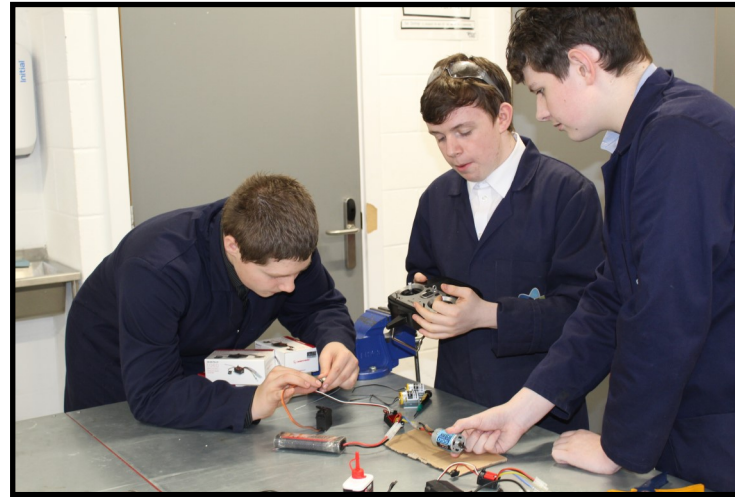
As part of Year 12, all students take part in NCS which is tailored specifically for the UTC, including work with engineering companies. Please return any reply forms to reception. The NCS team will be in every Friday at 11.30am to answer questions about this exciting programme!



National Apprenticeship Week



Some of our 6th Form female students took part in a small group session with former student Lauryn Baker who is now an apprentice with Stanley Engineered Fastenings. Lauryn was impressed with the calibre of the students and all gained excellent insight into the skills required to be an apprentice!



A group of Year 10 students putting together their masterpiece for the annual Royal Navy Challenge in a few weeks time! This is one of the best opportunities our young people have and it's all through being part of a UTC! A great demonstration of passion and teamwork! #UTCsGetResults #EngineerYourFuture



Year 11 students have been out with Simian Risk who are an engineering scaffolding company. They have been inspiring the students with some practical tasks and a full site visit as part of learning more information about jobs, careers, and apprenticeships.



Thank you to the apprentices from Cavendish Nuclear for talking to our students about nuclear engineering and how they can go into amazing apprenticeship roles when they leave the UTC!



Key Dates

16th March: UTC Open Event (10.00am - 12.30pm)

20th March: Atkins Employer Challenge

22nd March: Y12 Apprenticeship Live

26th March: Royal Navy Challenge

27th March: Business Mentoring Day

2nd April: Early finish for staff CPD

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