



## Year 11 Careers Newsletter: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Hello, Year 11

How was your final annual report? Focus on the positive comments and drill down into those that offer you advice. Take every opportunity to approach your subject teachers to clarify anything of which you are unsure. You could regularly go back and read the comments as another way of checking what you need to do to make progress towards your GCSE target. Tick them off and this will have the bonus effect of building confidence.

Herefordshire and Ludlow College held an Open Event on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January. I would expect that those of you who are interested / intend to apply for a course with this provider, have been along to one of the events. There have been at least three opportunities since September. Holme Lacy are holding their Open Event, tomorrow, Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup>, 10am-12pm.

### ‘Career of the week’

As previously mentioned, I intend to focus on popular post-16 pathways, choosing one each week on which to focus. This week, we have apprenticeships, an ever- growing sector. Ludlow College and a member of staff who teaches apprenticeships / vocational subjects at Herefordshire and Ludlow College, came in on Monday. I hope you found this useful.

### Benefits of an apprenticeship?

Gives hands-on experience.

Job-ready skills

Train, learn and earn

20% of paid time involves training, classroom lessons, or meetings with a college tutor for training, assessment and learning support).

Employer may well take you on full-time when you complete your apprenticeship training. This time may be undertaken in college or at your place of work.

Employers look very favourably on potential employees who have trained by means of an apprenticeship. I

### Points to carefully consider:

You have to find an employer willing to take you on as an apprentice, not the college.

A significant responsibility for the employer as they take responsibility for training you. It is the role of the tutor to oversee your training and prepare you for assessment. This is in contrast to a BTEC, or Diploma, in a vocational course, whereby the college leads.

### To find an apprenticeship:

[www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk](http://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk)

[www.apprenticeships.gov.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk)

[www.ladderforshropshire.org](http://www.ladderforshropshire.org)

Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, sees the next college assembly. This time it is Hereford Sixth Form.

Have a great weekend, Year 11.

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