LUDLOW C.E. SCHOOL



Year 11 Careers Newsletter: Friday 6th November 2026

Welcome back to Autumn half term 2, Year 11

I really do hope that you all enjoyed the break and that you managed to balance leisure time, part-time jobs and….. school work! With the clocks going back, Halloween and Bonfire night, it does feel that the journey towards Christmas is well underway. Mock exams are scheduled in the next few weeks and I am sure that revision is underway.

I kicked off the half term with careers appointments and was delighted to hear that you have been attending the Open events at local colleges. Ludlow College, Shrewsbury Colleges, Hartpury and Kidderminster are among those that have welcomed you. Hereford and Worcester Group Training Association also hosted a number of the year group. ReaseHeath has offered a place on one of the agriculture-based courses to a very motivated young man and another student has booked a place on the Taster event at Shrewsbury Colleges. This is scheduled for a Saturday at the end of the month and is a fantastic opportunity to gain a much deeper awareness of what studying at post-16 level is like. More specifically, taster events give students the chance to experience as close to a real lesson as possible. Open events are great in offering a snapshot of studying post-16, college life, etc, but I firmly believe that immersing yourself in the environment, offers the very best opportunity to support your course choices. Go onto the Shrewsbury Colleges website and book your slot. Not all of the colleges offer this experience, so I am sure that it will be very popular. I look forward to finding out how those who attend, got on.

I have updated the calendar of Open events. This weekend sees one of the most popular colleges open their doors to students: Holme Lacy and Herefordshire and Ludlow. This event will be the last one that the 2 campuses host before Christmas. Kidderminster College is also welcoming students to the last of its events this weekend and Rease Heath is calendared for next Tuesday. I have made you aware that applications are widely expected to be made before we break up in December. This makes attending these events all the more important. I really hope that by the end of this term, every one of you have attended at least one Open event.

College	Location	Date	Time
Hartpury College	Hartpury, Gloucester GL19 3BE	~~Saturday Sept 19th~~ ~~Saturday October 10th~~ Saturday November 21st Saturday December 12th	9.30am – 3pm **(You can only attend if you book online)**
Ludlow and Herefordshire College	**Holme Lacy campus, HR2 6LL. (Land-based, agriculture, equine, small animals)**	**Saturday November 7th**	**10am - 12pm**
Ludlow and Herefordshire College	**Hereford campus, Folly Lane, HR1 1LS.**	**Saturday November 7th**	**10am - 12pm**
Kidderminster College	**Market St, DY10 1AB (Vocational)**	~~Monday October 5th~~ **Saturday November 7th**	~~5.30pm – 7.30pm~~ **10am – 1pm**
Rease Heath College	**Nantwich, Cheshire, CWF 6DH (Agriculture)**	**Tuesday 10th November (evening)** Saturday 28th November Saturday 30th January Saturday 20th March Saturday 24th April Saturday 12th June	**Check times on College website. You need to book.**

If you are going to a firework display this weekend, enjoy it and stay safe.

Mrs Griffiths-Jones