



Year 11 Careers Newsletter

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Happy Springtime, Year 11

Yes, it is officially Spring. The weather continues to be kind, and the field is in use. Some of you have received NEA results. I hope that they have given you a boost with the final exams on the horizon. GCSE Food and Nutrition students start their practical exams on Monday. Good luck to you all. Your organisation and time management skills will be called upon.

Over the last week I have seen an advert for an apprenticeship opportunity in Ludlow. Thorne Widgery, an accountancy firm based at The Eco Park, on the edge of town, are looking to appoint an Accounts apprentice

We would love to hear from those who are:

- Motivated to make the most of their abilities.
- Confident, with great interpersonal skills
- Team players who enjoy sharing their knowledge with others
- Forward thinking and solutions focused

We invest a huge amount of time ensuring our trainees are given the opportunities to develop alongside study support. As part of the TW team, you will have the opportunity to experience a wide range of business/accountancy/IT processes whilst developing your skills and knowledge plus you'll benefit from exposure to a varied customer base.

If this sounds like it could be for you, we would love to hear from you. Please email a copy of your CV to us at careers@thornewidgery.co.uk

I have looked at the website, and I recognise two of our former students who are now working for the firm. So, such opportunities can bring about success. If you do not have a CV and/or are not sure how to put one together, just ask me and I can email you with an example. It is always useful to have a CV prepared as you can then take up any opportunities as they arise. You will adapt your CV to reflect the job for which you are applying, e.g. a job in a restaurant will require interpersonal skills, along with a 'cool head.' Working with younger children will require you to demonstrate reliability and responsibility. It is also worth looking at the laws that employers must follow if they employ you. As a 15-year-old, did you know that during term time, you can only:

- work a maximum of 12 hours a week
- work a maximum of 2 hours on school days and Sundays
- work for a maximum of 8 hours on Saturdays. However, you are not allowed to work before 7 am and after 7pm.

Probably the biggest surprise is that you must take a 2 week break from working. This must be taken as a block, i.e. not 2 days here and 3 days there. This website gives you all the information you need to know. It gives details about employment laws for young people from the age of 13. Look.

<https://www.studentjob.co.uk/ages/jobs-15-year-olds>

Enjoy a super weekend everyone.

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