CAREERS NEWSLETTER



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Next Steps Careers Fair



*Former student Sam who now works at Yeovil College

In it's second year, on Tuesday 26th of September Fairmead School hosted our Next Steps Careers Fair, in the sports hall, where a number of providers attended the school to meet our students and their parents and talk about some of their next step options for when they finish school. All Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 students as well as some of our older primary students had the opportunity to join the event. We had more employers join us at this year's event who were able to talk about routes into work with their companies. A big thank you to the organisations who supported this event and offered advice and guidance to our students. They were: Yeovil College, Somerset Skills and Learning, Department of work and Pensions (Job Centre), Discovery, The Hub, Somerset Careers Hub, Galliford Try, NHS, Wessex Water and Pick Everard

The feedback from the students and their families was really positive with positive comments about the range of opportunities that are available in the future as well as the quality of the information provided. It was also lovely to hear the exhibitors speak so highly of our students describing them as polite, friendly and helpful. A big thank you to everyone who attended and a really big thank you to our Pupil Leaders who helped run the event.



Year 11 to do list:

- Visit local colleges and providers to research your options
- Visit a Careers Fair
- Make an application to where you want to study next year
- Think about making your CV show off all your skills
- Begin to research work experience opportunities

Platform Railway Education Day

To finish the half term we were visited by staff from Platform who came to school to teach students about railway safety, travelling on the railways and the different career opportunities. Travelling safely and being able to plan journeys will be an important skill for our students in the future as they

progress with their own independence.

The students learnt how journeys by railway can be enjoyable and take them to lots of different places where they can learn, have fun or travel to work. Students also found out that railway journeys are safe and good for the environ-

ment. Whilst learning about the different jobs students were able to dress up in the different outfits and learn about the different roles. The students all listened and joined in fantastically and the Platform team were really impressed.



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Duke of Edinburgh- Volunteering



Before the half term break our Key Stage 4 students took part in their first Duke of Edinburgh Experience Day. These Experience Days will happen each half term. During years 9, 10 and 11 students work towards their Duke of

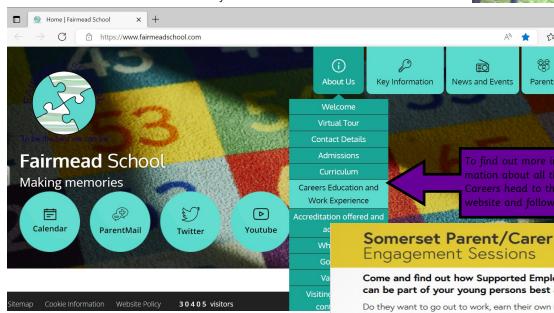
Edinburgh Bronze Award by completing work towards the different elements of the award: Physical, Skill, Volunteering and then Expedition during year 11. During the Experience Day our year 11 groups took part in a day of litter picking at Yeovil Country park as part of their volunteering. The group also logged the different types of litter as part of a wider environmental project. Despite the poor weather forecast the group had a real sense o achievement in the work they had carried out and all worked really hard to collect a large amount of litter. The group were

thanked by the country park team as well as members of the public who saw the great work they were doing towards improving their local community. The group look forward to doing further work later on in the year.



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If you are a student or parent and need more information about Careers activities at Fairmead School or are an employer or provider and want to support the school in any way please contact Mr France, Assistant Headteacher:

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Do they want to go out to work, earn their own money, be part of the wider community and be a valued employee?

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BOOK YOUR PLACE on the Somerset Parent/Carer Engagement Sessions at venues across the County in October-November 2023