

NEWSLETTER

Year 9 Careers Fair



Last Wednesday, we hosted a fantastic careers fair for our Year 9 students!

Whilst most schools host careers fairs only in Year 11, here at Shuttleworth we place a great deal of importance on connecting students' learning, effort, and determination in Year 9 to their future ambitions as they begin their GCSE studies. It also gives students an earlier opportunity to begin the exploration of their future goals.

The day began with students completing class activities looking at Post-16 options and starting to think about different industry sectors they might be interested in and want to find out more about. This was then enhanced by a presentation on the Lancashire labour market, explaining the growth industries and the employment forecast for future opportunities.

They were then taken into the school Atrium, where a variety of colleges and training providers had set up shop to help them make informed choices about their futures. We are filled with gratitude to all the colleges and companies that attended to share their knowledge and opportunities with our students. The colleges included Burnley, Accrington & Rossendale, Nelson & Colne, Thomas Whitham Sixth Form, Blackburn, and Myerscough; whilst apprenticeship and training providers such as Training 2000, North Lancashire Training, the British Army, Veka, and Safran were also in attendance. The stalls were covered in prospectuses, extra-curricular timetables, and

amazing projects, whilst Veka even brought along a 3D printer for our students to try out! We're very proud of some of the complex and insightful questions posed by our students as they discovered where their path in life is going to lead them.

To top it all off, the representatives for Veka and Safran included three ex-Shuttleworth students! After leaving Shuttleworth, Ethan Haywood took an apprenticeship at Veka to train as an electrical maintenance engineer, whilst Tielar Bailey and Harrison Yoeman entered into the scheme with Safran as multi-skilled engineers.

With students now aspiring to be everything from a forensic scientist to a history teacher, they've loved discovering all the different places they can go and how they can chase their dreams!



*Now apprenticed ex-Shuttleworth students return to their old school.
Left to right: Tielar Bailey, Ethan Haywood, & Harrison Yoeman*

Straight On 'til Morning...

Here at Shuttleworth College, we're excited to present this year's school production: Wendy & Peter Pan! The play, an avant-garde retelling of J. M. Barrie's classic novel, has been commended on the West End, called a "magical spectacle" that is "a constant joy to behold" by The Guardian, and it is now coming to Padiham.

Over the past two weeks, Mr. Wilson, our Drama teacher, has been holding auditions to find our future stars and he's come up with a stellar cast. And rather unconventionally, we have two leading ladies—both playing Wendy! With the sheer amount of talent on offer, we would have been remiss to have just one, so Abigail Long and Megan Keenan, Year 8, will be alternating in the main role.

This feminist adaptation places Wendy centre stage as an instrumental figure in her own story. However, the show has something for everyone, with heart-warming friendships and hilarious comedy. Leon Bond, Year 9, is also set to play the leading man in the form of Peter Pan, with Harvey Coffey, Harrison Foulds, and William Garstang as the other Darling children.

Our talented students are ready and rehearsing, so snap up your ticket as soon as they're released!

Revision

With us nearly a month into the school year, our Year 11s are focused on achieving their best in their mock exams. Here at Shuttleworth, we want every child to fulfil their full potential, so we have lots of initiatives in place to help our students along in the run up to their GCSEs.

Period 6 is now running after-school from Monday to Thursday each week. Period 6 is our after-school program that gives our Year 11 students extra time to revise, improve their exam technique, and get more help if they need it.

Many faculties have also released revision timetables to aid students in their organisation and time management. Miss Davies, our Lead Practitioner for Science, has created a video guide on how to use these timetables, revision guides, and workbooks to 'revise your way to success'! The video is useful for both students and their families and can be found either on the school website under Year 11 Information, or on the school twitter page, @Shuttle_College.



Four Cheers!



So many of our students have incredible skills and talents, but these four really are exceptional! Kiera, Holly, Ebony, and Isla are four fantastic dancers and cheerleaders who have won title after title.

Holly, Ebony, and Isla are members of Clarets Cheer and Dance Youth team and travelled to Holland with them over the summer where they competed in the ECC European Cheerleading Championships. Representing the UK, they won a whopping 10 gold, 2 silver, and 4 bronze medals!

“It was very exciting, though we did get really nervous,” said Isla, “but my teammates and I had worked really hard to be ready and as soon as we got out onto the floor we just knew we were going to smash it!”

Their close friend Kiera is also a world class dancer, who recently competed in the World Championships and took 3rd place.

We’re so proud to welcome such talented and hard-working young people into our school and we’re excited to see how their perseverance and determination to achieve pays off in the future.

Settled Year Seven

Now we’re more than halfway through our first half-term, Year 7 have now become an important part of the Shuttleworth community.

“When I had my first day I was scared and nervous but there was nothing to be worried about. I tried to be helpful, kind, and motivated and now I’m having a blast!”

-Rhys Llewellyn-Roberts, Year 7



Dates For Your Diary

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| 4th October | Open Evening |
| 11th October | New Parents’ Evening |
| 15th October | Year 9 & 10 GCSE Information Event |
| 1st November | Year 11 Assessment Evening |
| 15th November | Year 11 Awards Evening |
| 29th November | Year 10 Parents’ Evening |
| 6th December | Carol Concert |
| 13th December | Year 8 Parents’ Evening |

Faculty of the Fortnight: Humanities

Our humanities faculty has lots of amazing projects going on, but our Year 9 pupils have an extra special one as they become community conscripts in their Remembrance project!

Last week, our Year 9 History students set out on their 'Brothers In Arms' project, in conjunction with Gawthorpe Hall. This exciting opportunity aims to develop our students' awareness of the First World War, highlighting the history of their local town and encouraging them to find out about their own history, whilst also allowing them to make a positive impact on the local community.

The project began with a trip to the hall, where they learned about the Shuttleworth family and the vital role that they played in both the first and second world wars, as well as examining the fascinating history of the hall in general. There they met a World War One Sergeant Major, along with two guides, who helped them discover life as an infantry soldier during this time, from uniform and kit to the trenches and weaponry.



Following this, they have taken a trip to Padiham library where they were allowed to explore the local history archives and use their research skills to find out all about their own history.

Over the coming weeks, the Education Service staff will be kindly making several visits to the school to run workshops where students will study creative responses to the war such as poetry and drama. They will also investigate their own personal background and what role their ancestors played during the First World War.

The project will culminate in a Remembrance event at Gawthorpe Hall on the 10th of November. There, ceramic poppies will be made in honour of our fallen heroes and the hall will be illuminated along with its surroundings. A service will then be held, in which our students are humbled and honoured to be playing a large part.

Our humanities faculty are excited about the opportunities this project will bring both to our students and the wider community. We also believe that it will greatly benefit our students in their understanding of war as a whole, and allow them to strive to be part of a peaceful community both inside and outside school.

Good news to share about your child? Promoting a community event? Get in touch with our marketing & communications team, by contacting Laura Nutter via lnutter@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk

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