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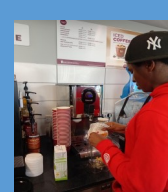
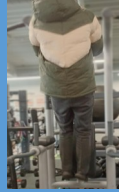
NEWSLETTER

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BULMERSHE LEISURE CENTRE

On 19th May 5 students from our PE options group went to visit Bulmershe Leisure Centre for a work-place visit. They had a tour of the gym and spoke with a personal training about his role within the centre. They then went to coffee shop and made their own smoothies and enjoyed drinking them. They were then greeted by the deputy manager who took them to see the swimming pool and to they plant room where they were shown how to test the chlorine and PH levels of the pool. A life-guard then came to speak with them about her role. One student staid "*It was the best, a fun experience*"



HARVESTER RESTAURANT

Five students had a great workplace visit to The Harvester restaurant in Prospect Park. They watched a video all about the restaurant and looked at the online training portal that is used by chefs to show them how to make and assemble the dishes. The students were set a challenge to go around the restaurant and look at how the tables were laid out, they then had to come back and work in teams to lay a table for themselves; I have to say they were very competitive! Scores very close, receiving an 8 out of 10 and a 7 and a half out of 10 .We were then luckily enough to have a visit in to the kitchen to see how it runs. The students had some great comments about the visit.

It was great

It was good and interesting

It was good

It was the best!!

It was a fun experience



CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION

In our careers lesson we have been learning about jobs within the construction industry. We began by looking at being an architect and designing a house; we spoke about all the different stages of a build and the workers that would be involved. They were then tasked with building their own house from (very) miniature bricks. They were brick layers, window and door fitters, roofers and landscape gardeners. The whole process has been amazing with all the students being 100% committed to the task. The houses that have been produced are incredible; we are now moving on to marketing our homes and writing a sales pitch to sell the houses.



DHL



Some students from Egret class and 6th form had a fantastic opportunity to do a 2 part workplace encounters project with DHL. Sheetal, the talent specialist, from DHL came in and met the students and gave a presentation about DHL, the following day we travelled to DHL in Colnbrook to visit the depot. We had employees from various different departments come and talk to the students about their roles within the business. The training manager gave them a challenge to fit foam parts together to make a cube; they absolutely smashed it, so quick and amazing teamwork; this was an exercise about packaging and using as little space to pack as many parcels as possible. We went on a tour of the depot, it was huge and the students were amazed by it. Such an incredible opportunity and the students learnt so much. DHL gave great feedback about our students



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