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Spring 2015 Newsletter

The New Year begins with the interns starting their second rotation. In our newsletter Project SEARCH interns and managers would like to share some exciting news as the process of preparation for the future of our student's success continues.

On 20th of January 2015 Project SEARCH interns took part in the first "Employer Market" meeting organised by Sirona, hosted by St John's Hospital. It was a fantastic opportunity for our young people to meet with employers such as Rotork, Cross Manufacturing, Curo, Sirona, Sporting Family Change and other professionals. Project SEARCH interns had a chance to find out information about different recruitment processes, practice interview skills and bring their C.V. for the employers to comment on. It was a pleasure to share with the interns' positive and supportive feedback from employers such as: "Very good standards of CV's, examples of extended questions and being enthusiastic about the opportunity they are being interviewed for."

We would like to say a big "THANK YOU" to our host departments for their continued support for Project SEARCH.



Meet the interns



"Reece has been a very good worker and has shown Project SEARCH in a positive way. After completing a ten week internship with us he gained a casual position as an Operations Assistant, which is when Reece really started to show his full potential. Then after another six weeks he gained a full-time position on the Operations Team. Since starting the full-time position he has really settled in and is a valued member of the Team."

Tom Byrne Security and Operations Manager for the Roman Baths

Reece says:

"I feel I have achieved a goal in my life and feel I am about to achieve more and learn more. All Project SEARCH staff were exceptionally pleased and applauded congratulations to me on my success in finding work."

"Project SEARCH team are behind Reece every step of the way with help and support as well as guidance. This course really has been a God send for Reece, opening up doors and avenues that would of otherwise remained closed. Fantastic Department and Team. Thank you!!!"

Karen Harding

"Hi, my name is Hetty and I work at Property and Project Delivery Department. I enjoy different tasks like: data imputing, delivering mail and being on reception; booking rooms for clients and answering calls. I feel like I am more confident and more positive at my work."



"My name is Jack and my work placement is in the College Library. My responsibility is mainly around admin and carrying out review of the resources that are available. I am enjoying working with the team, learning new skills, carrying out my tasks."

"My name is Alex and I enjoy meeting new people and try new things; the team at Haycombe Cemetery is very supportive".





"My name is Bethan and I'm hoping to gain new experience and skills from my current work place at the Leisure Centre in order to find a paid job."

"Hi, I'm Alice and I enjoy working at Oldfield Park School Kitchen, preparing and serving meals for children."



"My name is Malcolm and I have just commenced a work placement which is situated in Lewis House. This placement involves doing administrative tasks such as data inputting, scanning documents, sorting files and much more. I feel really valued by all staff members."

"Hi, I'm Roxanne and I enjoy helping out customers at Waste and Recycling Centre and receiving good feedback from staff and customers."





"At the start of Project SEARCH you get to meet new people and become friends, so you feel like you know everyone already. You will get help if you want help to get job, so no need to worry. Project SEARCH team gets you used to big work places so you can be aware of working on different tasks. You will learn new skills that can go on your CV with references from managers.

Claire Project SEARCH Intern

"My name is Keri and I work in The Pump Room which is a posh restaurant in Bath. I like working there because everyone is very supportive and I feel like I'm part of a team".

"Project SEARCH has provided us over the last year with wonderful support in the form of young hard working pupils that spend time with us to gain experience in the work place. In all cases these pupils have proved to be an important part of our restaurant team, maintaining day to day tasks that are vital to our operation. In addition they have settled in well with the rest of the staff, and have all proved to be very popular. I really hope that the experience they have all gained with us helps them on their way to other opportunities with other employers.

Keri, our current pupil is absolutely charming. Every task we give is perfectly executed. Her napkin folding I rate to be the best in the team. She is a truly valued member of the Pump Room Restaurant team".

Jane Bartolotta Restaurant Manager Searcys



If you know someone who is interested in joining Project SEARCH, please visit www.citybathcoll.ac.uk or phone City of Bath College Student Advice Centre on 01225 328715 or 01225 328176

Please contact us if you would like to find out more about hosting a Project SEARCH student.

We can visit Schools, Colleges or any groups to give information about Project SEARCH and how we help young people with a learning disability or autism in to world of work.

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