

Developing the Young Workforce & AGS

Update Newsletter

Current

The following is our current employer links who are willing to get involved with the school whether it be during class time for talks or visits to their premises.

- Ernst Young
- John Clark
- Royal Bank of Scotland
- Bank of Scotland
- Aberdeen City council
- Entier
- Porsche Aberdeen
- Wood Group
- Skene Street Dental Practice

If any department would like contact details of any of the above please get in touch.

Foundation Apprenticeships (FA)

Shelley Mackenzie will be in school speaking with all S3 pupils regarding FAs and college options to widen their thoughts to opportunities offered in the city.

Foundation Apprenticeships help young people gain valuable, real-world work experience and access work-based learning while they're still at school. This is a two year program.

The two Foundation Apprenticeships that will be pushed here next session will be the FA in Children & Young People as this is now being accepted as an entry qualification by Aberdeen University into the Primary Education course and the FA in ICT & Digital Hardware / system support

<https://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/what-we-do/our-products/foundation-apprenticeships/>

Into Film

Around 50 S5/6 pupils in Art, Drama & Graphic Communication had a presentation from Yen Yau from Into Film about careers in the film industry related to digital technology, film technology, computer graphics and gaming and how STEM subject interlink to a diverse range of Jobs from Accountants to 3D modellers.



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Young Engineers Club

AGS has now started its Young Engineers club and S1 & 2 pupils are currently undertaking a Lego Mindsatorms Space challenge through Tomorrow's Engineers EEP Robotics Challenge EngineeringUK

They have been given a comprehensive kit and will be spending a lunchtime during the next 12 weeks working through the challenge which also includes the programming of the robot to do various tasks.

If any member of staff is interested in getting involved please get in contact.



<https://www.tomorrowsengineers.org.uk/>

Future

Interdisciplinary:

Involve Project

All S3 pupils will be involved in an interdisciplinary activity. They will spend a day in late November working with AWPR Balfour Beatty construction to design a new town in a construction challenge.

Parental Engagement:

The S3 Parents Information Evening in January is being altered from previous years. This will include speakers from NESCol informing parents about course choices they offer and advertising the new Foundation Apprenticeships in Social Services & Young People and ICT & Digital Hardware / system support.

After the success and feedback from the seniors parent information evening the new format will continue and be developed further. Maybe it's now time to start collecting information for your display boards.

For further information on DYW please follow the attached links:

<http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/learningandteaching/thecurriculum/dyw/>

<http://www.employabilityinscotland.com/developing-young-workforce/north-east/>

