

CASE STUDY

DATE

04.02.2025

SCHOOL

Riversides

DISTRICT

Worcester

EVENT/ACTIVITY NAME

Guest Speaker - Young Adult Learners – Supported Internships

NUMBERS ATTENDED

14

WRITE UP (Activity Aims)

Engage Yr 11 students in an opportunity to find out about Young Adult Learners and Supported Internships, what options and courses are available, how to apply and what career opportunities are available following a Supported Internship.

Learning Intent(s)

- To raise aspirations by showing students what training, learning and work experience options are available to them locally in different industries.
- To raise awareness of local links and opportunities for future visits and experiences.
- To think about different jobs and opportunities within internship placements.



WRITE UP (Activity DETAILS)

We were visited at Riversides School, by Jake Hawkins from Young Adult Learners who coordinates the Supported Internships at The Royal Worcester Hospital. This arranged visit was influenced by the pupils views, interests and the Careers Action Plans of our year 11 students.

Jake talked about the types of courses run by Young Adult Learners, where they are based, and the difference between a training provider and a larger college setting. He also explained how Supported Internships are run, particularly around the opportunities at The Royal Worcester Hospital. We discussed the different types of rotations that students can try, students were surprised to hear that they could do catering, housekeeping, IT and Admin roles as well as the expected roles working with patients and in the labs. We also found out that students can try up to three rotations rather than only trying one type of role.

Students were encouraged to ask questions regarding their own needs and interests, and about what job opportunities they could expect to access within the industry including other entry pathways and salaries.

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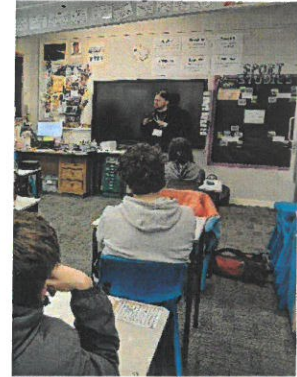
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WRITE UP (Measure and Impact)

Informal discussions between staff and students were had following the talk. These discussions were followed up in more detail during formal careers lessons and in one to one careers meetings with our independent careers advisor.

This information was fed back to SLT, Governors, and parents/carers.



Future Goals:

To visit Young Adult Learners so that students can see where they might be studying.

To visit Jake at the Royal Worcester Hospital to see how an internship works in practice.

WRITE UP (Quotes from participants)

Feedback from staff and Yr11 Students:

'I didn't know there were so many jobs'
'I might want to try that (hospital internship);

'Great opportunity for our students to ask questions'



Feedback in lessons and Careers Meetings:

Staff felt it was a useful talk for students to explore different next step options. It was interesting to learn about the types of rotations/experiences available. It was also useful to hear the personal stories about what other students had enjoyed which made it relatable. Students said that it allowed them to think about all of the different careers involved and how they can progress in jobs within health.

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