

Employer Encounter Event 2nd July 2024



North Ridge High School Sixth Form Hub

The Sixth Form Hub hosted employers on Tuesday 2nd July as part of the careers & employability programme. The aim of the day was to highlight and develop the skills and qualities to succeed in employment and independent living.

Georgia Gibson from Biffa ran a fun workshop on recycling that not only highlighted the job roles in waste management but developed life skills around the recycling of domestic waste. A sorting activity demonstrated the students' environmental awareness as they separated recyclable items into different categories.



Biffa®

Danielle and Maya from Vinci talked about construction job roles, the projects they've been involved in locally and ran a Lego construction activity. The students were highly engaged in the activities. One student said she "enjoyed finding out about the community buildings" Vinci is working on, whilst other students found the Lego activity fun.



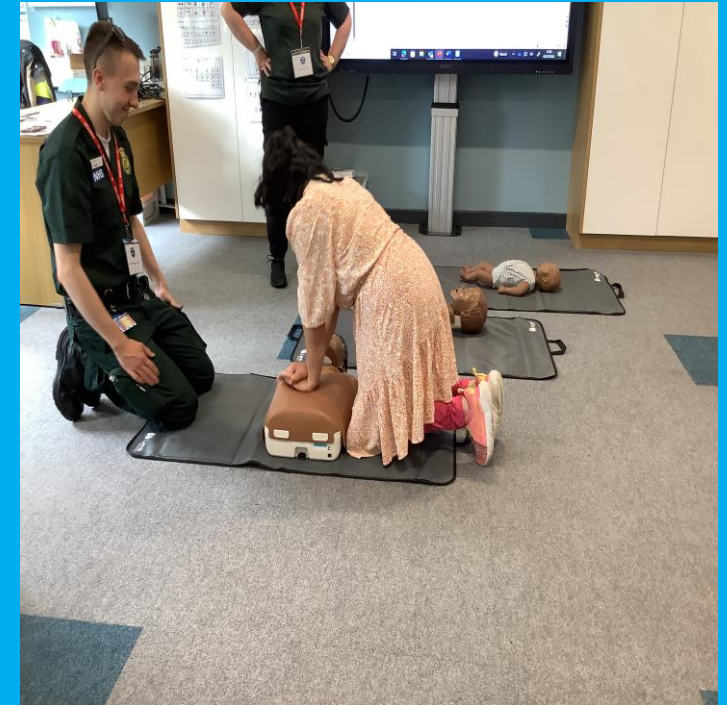
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The afternoon workshops touched on life saving skills with North West Ambulance Service delivering a CPR workshop. Class Enterprise's students gave an expert demonstration of CPR which really impressed Josh and Abbey from NWS.



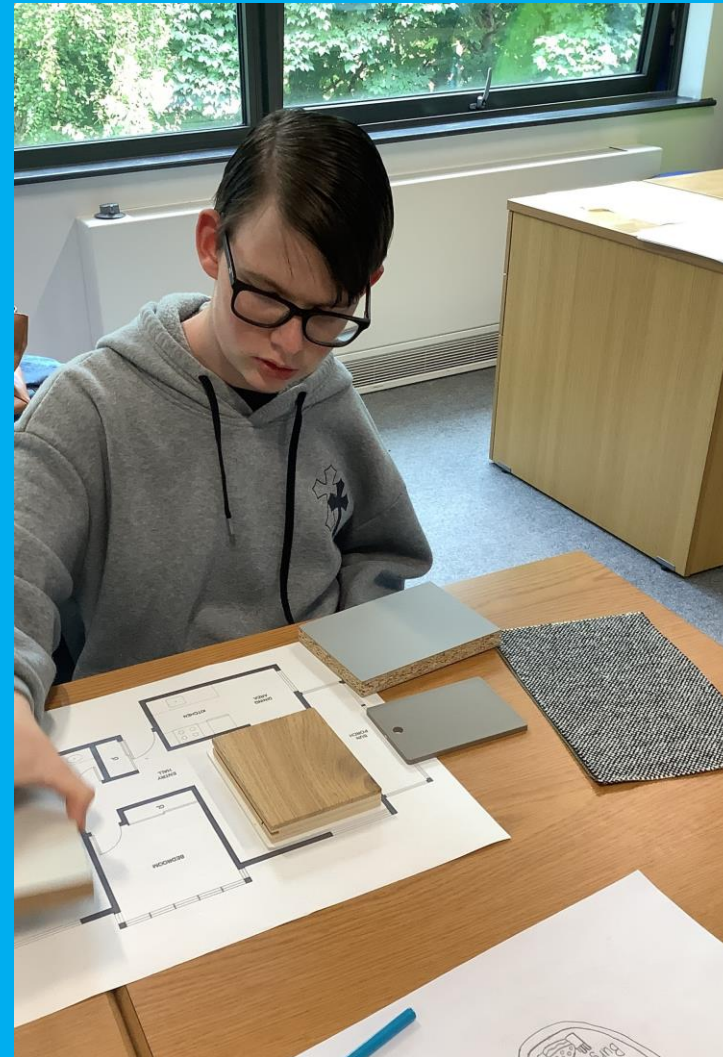
Equans' Nicki Sorton delivered an interactive circuit board activity. Students used batteries, wires and resistors & sensors to power lights, fans and even an FM Radio! The STEM activity promoted perseverance and problem solving and gave learners a real sense of achievement.



Actor Emma Matthews, star of David Walliams comic musical Billionaire Boy, ran a drama class for students. The exciting and engaging workshop mixed drama and dance and was a lot of fun. It built confidence, developed a better understanding of nonverbal communication and collaboratively allowed the students to show their sense of humour, key workplace attributes.



Gerry Taylor from CRUK Construction ran a creative interior design activity, with students having to design an apartment, choosing flooring, furniture, fabrics and wall coverings. The activity focused on creativity and decision making.



The activities aimed to raise employment aspirations, highlight and develop core employability skills and be enjoyable. Judging by the student & employer feedback, the day was certainly worthwhile!