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<u>Year 10 PWC trip</u>

On the 8th June 2018, Year 10 students went on a trip to PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PWC) near London Bridge as part of a CV and interview skills workshop. It was a fantastic experience. We were divided equally on four different tables with two or three adults who worked at PWC or industry volunteers. The first activity we did was a taster session where we learnt fun facts about our classmates and the workers at PWC/volunteers. Throughout the day, we asked questions and got to know more about the background of the company PWC and we found out what they do there. After we had another activity where we needed to match skills, qualifications and salary to a wide variety of jobs. This was good as it made us think about what we need to do in terms of qualifications for jobs in the future.

After lunch, we watched a bad interview where the applicant was rude, arrogant and used bad language, which showed us what not to do. Then we watched a good one where the women had good manners, a polite tone of voice and was honest. These helped us because we now know what to do in an interview.

At end the day they gave us notepads, post it notes, pens and a guide for a good interview. Personally, it was a great experience, which is going to help me in the future because before PWC, I hated answering one to one questions, but now I do not mind it. I would like to thank Mr Nwandison and Ms Giraudo for taking us and spending the day with us. - Ashia R. Year 10GO.



An interesting scientific 'insight'

Year 7 students got an excellent insight into how the anatomy of a frog is suitably adapted to its lifestyle. This was the final session in a series of dissections which looked at numerous different species, including a fish and a locust which are both in the A level syllabus. Thanks to AS level Biology student Janat Nalumansi who was so interested in the frog that she decided to help with the dissection herself, year 7 students had the great opportunity to learn from sixth form role models.' - <u>Mr M. Winpenny</u>



Year 9 Sustainability Trip

On the 18th of May my class and I went to Stationers Park in Harringay. We helped the people at PWC rearrange the garden, plant some flowers and overall, making the park look nice and brand new. We all had an amazing day out with the people at PWC and they were all very kind to us. One of my favourite parts of the day was when we made seed bombs. Seed bombs are only mud and seeds mixed together. This was my favourite part because they were fun to make and they looked nice where we put them. Overall, most of us, even our



teachers, had an amazing and fun day out trying to make the park look better. Mia T. Yr 9

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Sammy D. - Life Course with the London Fire Brigade

Last week (June 11 to 14th) I took part in a life skills course at the London Fire Brigade in Shadwell. I'm very grateful for this opportunity.

The course not only gave me a very clear idea of how hard fire fighters have to work, but also gave me very good skills for later in life. I can also put these skills into situations I may face in my life now. For example, we learnt CPR as well as how to safely climb a ladder in an emergency.



Each trainer was assigned with either one or two trainees and we were all given feedback every morning about our work and the effort we put into the tasks given to us in the day before. I enjoyed this course so much so that now I am considering joining the fire brigade as a job for the future. I am very thankful to all of the trainers, they made us feel very welcome with a nice smile every morning. I feel this encouraged me to push myself and get the most out of the course. As the week progressed, I felt more confident within the group

and interacted with them more than I did earlier in the week.

To continue building on my discipline and confidence, I will hopefully take part in cadets next year.

I don't think there are any improvements needed to the course, I thought it was perfect. I would encourage anyone to take this opportunity as it is a fantastic experience.





Chaplain's corner

The Month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost. In addition to the liturgical celebration, many devotional exercises are connected with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Of all devotions, devotion to the Sacred Heart was, and remains, one of the most widespread and popular in the Church.



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