

Careers at BBA



Autumn Term Newsletter 2022

Welcome back to school and our Autumn term Careers Newsletter. This term is always packed with lots of activities and events for our Year 11 students. As well as working hard to achieve great exam results, they also have to start making plans for September 2023! But don't worry as I am here to guide your child through this process and will support them through year 11 and into their first term at college or sixth form. We don't forget about the younger students either as we have a weekly Careers Focus during Wednesday Tutor time.

For all careers related information, the yearly Careers plan is on the school website and the link can be found here [Careers Guidance \(bromleybeaconacademy-bromley.org.uk\)](https://www.bromleybeaconacademy-bromley.org.uk)

The 'Latest News' section of the website also features the various careers related experiences and workshops.

I hope you have a lovely Christmas and I look forward to working with you and your child next term.

Best wishes,

Michelle Graydon
Careers Leader, Bromley Beacon
Academy



VIP Tour of LSEC Bromley campus

In October, the Year 11 students had a VIP visit to the local college. As students have to start making plans for their Post 16 education, this trip forms part of our careers programme to inform students of the choices open to them. College is just one option. On this trip, students had a short careers talk from the college Careers Adviser followed by a tour of the vocational areas including carpentry, electrical, plumbing, brickwork and hair

and beauty. Another option for Post 16 is 'T Levels'. The Health & Social Care hospital ward is under construction, so we look forward to seeing that next time.



Brickwork



carpentry



checking out the plumbing!



Hair & beauty



motor vehicle



gym

Careers Tutor Time

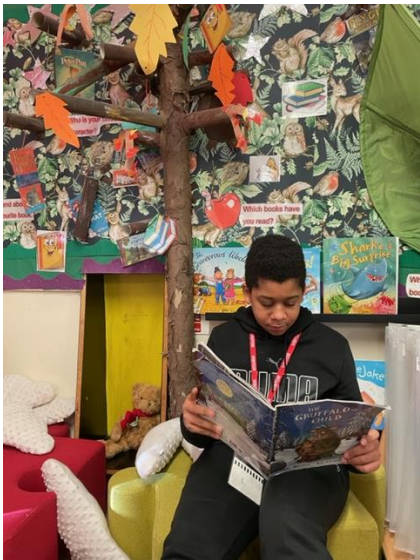


Every Wednesday, afternoon tutor time has a Careers focus. This way, all students in all Year groups have the opportunity to learn about the different pathways open to them. During the first half of the term, we looked at Post 16 options, including College, Sixth Forms, Apprenticeships and T Levels. This term students have been completing weekly tasks that will result in a CV.

Work Experience 14 – 18 November 2022

The Year 11 students had the opportunity to enjoy a second week of work experience after the success in the summer. Eight students went out on placement with six students all gaining 100% attendance. We had a diverse range of employers with students working on 'live' cases for a solicitor to working in a pharmacy, a beauty parlour and working as a Teaching Assistant with primary children. When asked, one student gave me an assessment of his teacher and said "Miss Leanne is an incredible teacher!" Praise indeed!

Well done everyone!



Skills London 2022

Skills London is the largest careers Fair in the UK and this year it was back on as an in-person event. After arriving at the ExCel centre in London, students were free to roam around the event which had over 200 employers, colleges and universities in attendance. The careers fair saw over 35,000 visitors over the two days! Our students got stuck in and chatted to many exhibitors and took home lots of brochures and leaflets to look through. A selection

of information from this event will be available to everyone on Academic Review day, so please come and visit the Careers table in the main hall.



Applying to BBA Sixth Form

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**Post-16 Options:
How does it all work?**

Free Time Hobbies

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Sixth form Curriculum and options book

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September 2023

APPLICATION FORM

Name:
Date of Birth:
Address:
E mail:
Day Time Contact Number:

DEADLINE
1st March 2023

A letter, the application form and Parents Guide to Post 16 booklet have all been included in the ARD information pack. Please take some time over the Christmas break to look at the application form and complete it in good time.

BBAB Alumni



Bethany Scott-Wright

Q1 Did we prepare you for your next steps?

Q1 Answer Yes!! The school allowed me to stay on an extra year to combine school with college which allowed me the opportunity for a smooth transition.

The school also supported and prepared me to be on time for college as this can be a reason for having the place withdrawn.

Q2 What do you miss about BBA?

Q2 Answer The support I received. Every student knows all the teachers and all the teachers know every student. At college I do not get this level of support.

Q3 What advice would you give a student at BBA?

Q3 Answer Keep your head down and get your GCSE's as this is the only time you can do them. Try and gain your Functional Skills exams in Year 10 so you can concentrate on your GCSE's. Do every course available to you to get the most out of school.

For Sixth Form students, I would say follow the rules and be a good role model because you are the oldest in the school and everyone else looks to you.

Q4 Would you recommend Sixth Form?

Q4 Answer Yes. It's the one last push to get qualifications before your next steps. You get more direction and support for transition and help with applications for jobs, college and apprenticeships.

Student has provided consent

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