# **Developing Young Workforce**

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Developing the Young Workforce (DYW) is a government strategy to reduce youth unemployment in young people aged 16-24. This is a seven year programme that aims to better prepare young people for the world of work. At Calderglen, we are very proud of the way we use our business partners to enhance our curriculum and skills development. This newsletter captures some of the developing young workforce approaches that have been happening this session across the school.

Please provide feedback and ideas on how you would like to see a young workforce develop in the school or how you can contribute.

# S3/4 Painting and Decorating Masterclass

15 pupils completed a Painting and Decorating Masterclass in partnership with South Lanarkshire College and Spie Matthew Hall. The pupils did such an outstanding job of decorating rooms across the school that there is now a queue of teachers requesting their rooms be painted too!!!!

Even better news is that 3 of these pupils have now signed up to a City and Guilds Painting and Decorating course at South Lanarkshire College. They also have been registered with CITB for an apprenticeship.







# **Calderglen Alumni**

We hosted our first successful Alumni event where we had former pupils talking to S6 about life after school. Pupils learned about the highs and lows of life as an apprentice, college or university student.



## **S5 Induction**

The theme of this year's induction programme is 'Surviving S5'. Our seniors took part in a morning filled with activities that encouraged them meet challenges with resilience and work under pressure.

# **Sports Journalism and Football Studies Masterclass**

Working in partnership with Martin Lauchlan, the English department have given S3 pupils a real insight into journalism. You may have seen the programmes that the pupils produced for EKFC and which they sold at the games. Some of the pupils interviewed players and reported on the game for EKFC TV. What an amazing opportunity!





# **Celebrating Achievement**

Congratulations to Murrin Wilding who has secured a place at Cambridge Summer School and an Internship with a leading law firm in London for the summer. We look forward to hearing all about it next term.



#### Girls of the Future

Our 'Girls can Code' club had a great time at The University of the West of Scotland taking part in smartSTEM activities.



#### **SUERC Summer Placement**

Congratulations to Alexandra Morton and Logan Clark who were both successful in their applications to work with SUERC over the summer holidays. This is the first time we have been offered more than one placement! We look forward to hearing about their research projects next term.

#### **Childcare Masterclass**

We have introduced a new Childcare Masterclass which will prepare pupils for further study of childcare via 'What's with Work' or 'Foundation Apprenticeships'. The class will be working with parents and children in the community very soon. Exciting times ahead!



# **S4**

A group of our S4 pupils took part in an intensive skills programme during the exam leave period. The pupils were fine ambassadors for Calderglen during their outdoor residentials, visit to City of Glasgow College and on the CPR course at the Fire Station. They all valued the opportunity to learn new skills.



## **Growth Mindset**

Mr Marsden and Mr Kane led a CPD session with all of the learning community on the power of the word YET! It was great to share approaches we use to encourage growth mindsets with pupils. The session was very well attended by all our link primary schools and Sanderson High.



# **Photography**

Through our partnership with Martin Lauchlan and EKFC, Katie Smith from our Higher Photography class seized the opportunity to attend a football game as part of the media and take pictures. Katie's photographs appeared in the East Kilbride News. Well done Katie!



## **Raising Achievement for All**

Our 'Raising Achievement for All' project, in partnership with the European Agency, led to a team of pupils, teachers and a parent visiting Malta to present workshops to an international audience on 'improving outcomes for all pupils in an inclusive setting'. Our pupils spoke with great conviction and confidence in front of an audience of around 200 people. Well done to all involved!



#### Gaelic

Higher and Advanced Higher Gaelic pupils attended a workshop run by Sealladh TV in Skye. Sealladh is an independent TV company based at FÀS, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig's Centre for the Creative & Cultural Industries. The company was established by producers Morag Stewart and Christopher Young (who produced "The Inbetweeners") to develop Film and TV production, and to inspire & train young people in Gaelic media skills.

Katie MacDonald, Kayleigh Bell and Kirsty Brawley attended the event titled "Writing for TV Drama", where they met with pupils from Lewis, Harris, Glasgow and Cumbernauld to develop skills for work within Gaelic media broadcasting.



#### **Kick Start**

Martin Lauchlan has worked closely with Mrs Healy and the PE department to launch our 'Kick Start' programme. Pupils from all year groups are offered free football coaching sessions on Mondays and Wednesdays with Martin at 7.30am.



# **S6 STEM Ambassadors**

Some of our S6 scientists signed up to become STEM Ambassadors and were fully trained. They then ran Science workshops for Mount Cameron Primary. A great time was had by all!



## **Social Enterprise**

Our award winning Social Enterprise Committee has had its efforts recognised by the Social Enterprise Academy. The group have raised £123.15 for Motor Neuron Disease Scotland; efforts including 'decorate your door' competitions and also the stationery shop and raffle. The committee are attending the award ceremony on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June in Edinburgh to collect their award on behalf of the school.



## **S3 Apprenticeship Event**

As part of the Scottish Apprenticeship week, 16 employers delivered a vast range of workshops to S3 pupils. The pupils learned about everything from childcare to engineering and the benefits of work based learning as an alternative to college/university.



#### S2 IDL

Our S2 IDL projects engaged our pupils in cross-curricular projects that were exciting and current. We are very grateful to the number of partners who contributed to the projects, including NXP, Crossfit Gym EK, New Jennaration Studio and Refuweegee.



## **Generations Working Together**

Calderglen High, working with NHS Lanarkshire, has won Generations Working Together New Project Award for Scotland for assisting individuals living with dementia to produce a personalised life history book. Well done to all senior pupils involved in this ground-breaking work which has impacted on dementia patients so positively and great to achieve national recognition for it. Thanks to Mrs Frazer who facilitated the programme alongside our Befriending initiative. These programmes help to bridge generations and foster strong mutual respect and bonds.



# Coming Soon...

- The Prince's Trust Achieve programme for a group of S3/4 pupils.
- Pilot of the Introduction to Work Place Skills for ASN pupils.
- Our DYW section on the new school website.

## **Modern Languages Event**

S3 pupils benefited from feedback from employers about the importance of modern languages in the world of work.



# **Training Provider Event**

We invited our local training provider partners along to explain what they can offer to potential school leavers. The event was a great success with pupils learning about opportunities that are available to them for future pathways.

## **Royal Society**

A group of 10 pupils from S3 went to London to represent our school at the Royal Society Partnership Grants Conference. The pupils showcased the work they carried out during their S2 IDL 'Car of the Future' project.

The chairman of the Partnership Grants Committee, Professor James Hough, said he was most impressed by their presentation. Well done to all the pupils involved!

