

New Student – Parents Event







# **Expectations for Excellence**







#### We want you to be:-

- Successful in your studies
- Happy and have fun whilst learning
- Supported effectively to maximise your potential
- Prepared for a career with successful life skills







Expectations for Excellence – Here at Wigan and Leigh College our focus is on creating FAB Teaching & Learning for our learners through:

- Fun In Learning
- Assessment For Learning
- Behaviours For Learning





#### **Fun in Learning**



You can expect tutors to create lessons which are engaging and offer a wide range of ways to support and enhance teaching, learning and assessment.

You can expect to study practical lessons in state-of-the-art facilities and workshops.

You can also expect tutors to plan trips, visits and to invite guest speakers to offer valuable insights into careers within subject areas and the world of work and higher education.

#### **Assessment for Learning**



#### You can expect tutors to:

- Use different methods to check progress
- Give timely and developmental advice on assessments to support success and progression
- Provide students with additional support where required
- Have high expectations for all to ensure high grades are achieved





## **Behaviours for Learning**



In order to achieve, it is important for students to demonstrate important behaviours for learning. That is, behaviours that are aligned to success.

We expect all of our students to do the following:

- Attend all lessons punctually, and be equipped to learn
- Be supportive and respectful to other students and staff at the College
- Complete homework that is given to a high standard

#### **Behaviours for Learning**



- Complete Work Related Learning during Directed Study time
- Use your allocated Study Day to focus on College work
- Complete any Flipped Learning tasks to prepare for lessons
- Attend work placement to support progression into your chosen field of study

In essence, we want you to take ownership of your learning







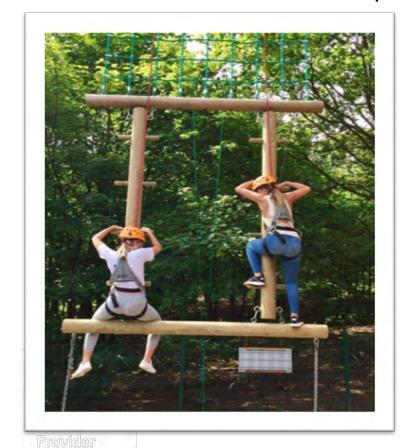


- At Wigan & Leigh College, students are at the heart of everything we do.
- Alongside their programme of study, there is the opportunity to take part in a variety of exciting enrichment activities which take place within their curriculum area and across College
- We place great value on all Citizenship and employability activities. These extra skills and experience are highly valued by employers and universities. They help students to stand out from those with similar qualifications.





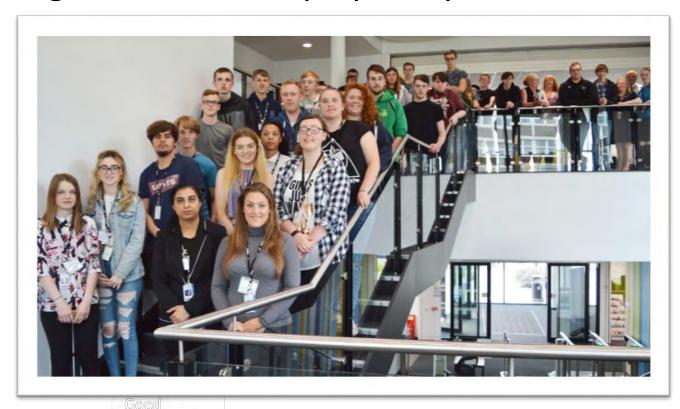
Team Building events enable students to build leadership skills, this allows the students to develop and thrive within their environment







# **Student Conference** – students meet employers and sector leaders to gain valuable employability skills for the future



Key note speakers have included:-

Anna Dawe - College Principal
Claire Foreman — Vice Principal
Andy Burnham — Mayor of Greater Manchester
Clare Jady - Hulljady Chartered Accountants
David Lowe — Composer for the BBC (Panorama,
The One Show, Grand Design and Country File











There are local, national trips available.

Over 200 students participated in international trips including the 'Erasmus' funded trips to Portugal, France, Iceland, Barcelona and China are just a part of the College's annual trips and visits programme.



- As the champion of students, the Head of Studies team facilitate an outstanding student experience from entry to exit, working closely with curriculum and cross college support teams.
- Our Wellbeing team are on hand to offer extra support to students throughout the year.
- The College Chaplain and Tackling Inactivity lead are just two of the additional staff working alongside our students to offer guidance and support.



## **Tutorial Programme**



- Academic one to ones take place to support students with their progression and development of their employability skills to develop the expert learner
- Monitor and support attendance
- Active support of the development of generic learning skills such as revision techniques and assignment writing skills
- Deliver tutorial materials related to work related learning, skills tracking, industry related employer workshops and guest speakers
- Support students with career planning including progression plans, UCAS applications and steps into employment
- Promote cross college events

#### **Champion of Students**

- We facilitate student voice meetings and report back to students on 'You said' and 'We did'.
- We promote learner involvement in Student Council and enrichment activities.
- We support and promote Student Leaders and student groups such as Student Reps, Student Ambassadors, the Young Carers Group and our LGBTQ+ group
- We host Student Conferences
- We help to drive employer engagement
- We help to drive skills tracking and resilience





# Promoting independence and engagement with all the extras on offer

■ Whether it's Prince Andrew's iDEA Digital Programme, The Duke of Edinburgh Scheme or 'This Is Me', we introduce our students to all the software and links they need.

For example, our students have free access and log on details for the "This Is Me" app which offers them:

- Unique tools for planning their future
- Get up to date information on the local labour market where the jobs are
- Create their own CV
- Helpful hints about job application and interviews



# Just in the months of March and April our students have...

- Competed and achieved in the Greater Manchester Skills
   Competitions for all subject areas.
- Met with local MP's and business leaders
- Performed with the winner of Sky 1's 'Got To Dance' Lukas McFarlane who worked with Ronan Keating, Taylor Swift, Celine Dion, and dances on shows such NRJ Music Awards and The X Factor, in addition to West End performers.
- Won the MBDA International Engineering Apprenticeship of the year award.
- Trained with Catalans Dragons in Spain



## **Creating a College culture**



- We promote a culture of kindness, ambition and respect
- We provide lunch time activities and staff presence in the refectory

 We perform meet and greet each morning in main reception to welcome students and be the first point of contact for any problems or

support needs

- We hold student assemblies every half term
- We co-ordinate cross college enrichment and a range of foyer events



#### **Snapshot ...**



- Your son/daughter will be allocated a Student Liaison Officer and Personal Tutor during their studies here at Wigan & Leigh College.
- Parents Evenings will be held to keep you informed of your son/daughters progress.
- Between 8.15-9.15am every morning, all students are entitled to a free breakfast



- Your son/daughter has access to cross college student services, Fab Futures and Head of Studies team through their time at college. Services include impartial Careers Advice, Mentoring, Counselling, Welfare, Healthy Lifestyle, Learning Support and many more.
- Additional Bite Size English & Maths sessions and on-line support are on offer.









































The team support all students in developing their employability skills and achieving positive destinations and progression at the end of their course





- Meaningful quality work experience and placements
- Masterclasses and guest speakers
- Support your son or daughter to aim higher and explore their future career options
- Career focussed events throughout the year
- Preparing for the work place through employability workshops,
   apprenticeship preparation and a apprenticeship matching service



