Welcome to our Public Services newsletter specially created for you to see what's been happening in the department you will be joining this September.

Our students have been studying harder than ever, despite the lockdown restrictions, which meant new ways of working from home for much of the year.

Highlights include visits from former students enjoying careers in the police and fire services, award success and some great university offers.

FIREFIGHTER SHARES CAREER SUCCESS

Wigan firefighter Steven Waygood came back to College to share his route to success with current students.

3 Extended Diploma in Public

Services in 2003 and has gone on the enjoy a successful career in the fire services. "The course helped me with the application process for the fire services and I was able to reference it in my interview," said Steven. "I always wanted to

become a firefighter. Responding to the floods in Cockermouth has to be one of my proudest moments. I was involved in the rescue of hundreds of people and is something I will never forget."

Steven works for Wigan Fire and Rescue Services which covers a 70 square mile area.



UNIVERSITY OFFERS

Aspiring police detective Georgia Crooks is en route to a fantastic career with degree study offers from Edge Hill University and University of Central

Lancashire (UCLan). The former St John Fisher Catholic High School pupil feels well prepared for her progression to university. "I have really enjoyed the course. There's lots

of extra activities and trips such as the military day."





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Naeem Desai's ambition to join the military police is already underway with offers from Edge Hill University, **Liverpool John Moores University** and Northumbria University to study professional policing at degree level. The former Albany Academy pupil said:

"The staff are supportive and there's been some really good experiences such as guest speakers from the police and fire services."

PUBLIC SERVICES ALUMNI COMES BACK TO COLLEGE



Public Services alumni, Police Constable Andrew Sedden, completed the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Public Services in 2009.

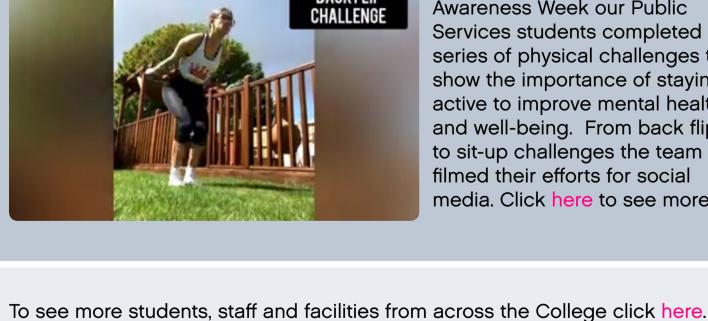
officer is getting a good result, especially when you catch someone in the process of committing a crime," said Andrew. "The course provided an in-depth

"The best thing about being a police

understanding of what was expected in the public services. I enjoyed learning about the law, which has definitely helped me in my career."

As part of Mental Health **BACK FLIP**

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK



Awareness Week our Public Services students completed a series of physical challenges to show the importance of staying active to improve mental health and well-being. From back flips to sit-up challenges the team filmed their efforts for social media. Click here to see more.

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