

Pathway to Employment

Work Experience

This term we have had placements at Butterfly Café, IKEA, Early Years, Flint House dining room, Flint House polytunnel, Brookfields Market Garden, Newbury Community Furniture Project, Laithwaite's, Thames Superstore, The MERL (Museum of English Rural Life) and Forresters Hair salon

The students are learning from employers first-hand about work, employment and the skills that are valued in the workplace. It allows the students to start to build on their employability and communication skills and self-confidence. This provides them with a meaningful insight into the types of jobs that are available.

Employee of the Month



January

Jonathan
Jonathan has shown great enthusiasm during his placement at The M. In addition, he has used the skills he has learned as part of the team and returned home with a number of new items for his collection. He has also been awarded a certificate of appreciation for his hard work and dedication. Jonathan is a member of the Pathway to Employment team.

Employee of the Month Awards

Jonathan and Leanne have shown real enthusiasm during their placements and have been awarded 'Employee of the Month' certificates by our Pathway to Employment team.

Employee of the Month



February

Leanne
Leanne has shown great enthusiasm during her placement at The M. In addition, she has used the skills she has learned as part of the team and returned home with a number of new items for her collection. She has also been awarded a certificate of appreciation for her hard work and dedication. Leanne is a member of the Pathway to Employment team.



Careers Week 2026

Careers week was a brilliant opportunity for the students to explore the world of work, throughout the week students took part in hands-on activities, met visitors from a range of job sectors and learnt about different pathways for the future.

Interviews

Students took part in mock interviews onsite and offsite at Visa, Smart works, Laithwaite's, Ikea, and Loddon Valley Leisure Centre to help develop their confidence and communication skills. They practised answering interview questions, learned how to present themselves, and received feedback to help them improve. The experience gave them a valuable insight into the interview process.



It just remains for us to thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to working with you all again next year. If you would like any further information or have any innovative ideas on how we could work together, we would love to hear from you.

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