

# Scarborough UTC News Flash Friday 17<sup>TH</sup> June 2022

### INTRODUCTION

Dear Parent/Carer

With temperatures rising, we are in the throes of British summer time and looking ahead to events planned throughout college. These events support the wider learning of our students and they are essential in providing academic, physical and cultural experience. The CCF continue their sailing courses at Wykeham lakes, the F1 in schools team look forward to the World Finals at Silverstone and we have a large number of students attending kayaking training during the summer break.

We also have the added recognition that staff in English, Engineering and Environmental Science are leading and presenting to colleagues nationally within their specialist subject areas.

The GCSE and A level examinations series for 2022 has one week remaining and students will continue to be supported through appropriate, teacher led revision sessions in the run up to every examination.

Our Y10 and 12 have now completed one week's work experience, we are fortunate to have excellent employer support and this provides a unique experience to support employability skills here at Scarborough UTC, students have valued the experience and we are pleased with the excellent reports from employers. As a UTC this is an integral part of structure and focus on preparing students for their working lives.

Aside from summer events the focus is very much on Y10 and 12. They have preparations for summer pre-public exams and there is a full schedule of academic intervention to ensure students are prepared and supported into their crucial exam year.

Enrolment evening for our year nine cohort this week provided an excellent opportunity to share the vision and ethos of our UTC, we welcomed new students and families into our college community. We look forward to meeting our new Y10 next week.

Thank you for your support.

Mr John Connell Vice Principal

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Our employer partners, and further organisations within Scarborough and beyond, have continued to enhance student experience at Scarborough UTC through the provision of work experience placements.

Our Y10 and Y12 students have hugely enjoyed the week, particularly where they have had the opportunity to use the skills they learn in college, and see their direct application to the workplace.

Students attending Deep Sea Electronics have applied both mechanical and electrical engineering skills through the maintenance of pick and place robotics machinery and the manufacture and fitting of PCB's, while those attending Flamingoland have had the opportunity to work within a wide range of departments including mechanical and electronic ride maintenance tasks.

Those students working at Firmac have experienced a day in each department working on tasks including fitting, machining, CAD design development and systems technology.

Our student placed at Unison has been applying the Solidworks skills learnt during masterclasses in college with their engineer to real life problems within their design team, while the student working at Osprey has had the opportunity to program a robotics enhanced automated system.

A huge thank you to all of our fabulous employers for their support, time and effort in offering and organising a placement for our students, and well done to our students who, from employer feedback received so far, are doing a great job in demonstrating that they truly are employable graduates.

#### ASSESSMENT AND CURRICULUM

#### **Curriculum, Feedback and Assessment**

#### Y11 & Y13

Intervention schedules during the summer examinations series continue. Directors have structured interventions each day and these are being used to ensure all students are supported fully throughout this period.

Please use this opportunity to continue to support progress at home and develop good revision routines. Student have been briefed on the JCQ guidance, strict business dress and equipment expectations for public exams in college.

Formal exams are progressing very well, students are accessing support and have been well prepared.

Y11 complete their academic year on the afternoon of the 24<sup>th</sup> of June 2022.

**All Years:** All assessment information, Attendance, Professional values, behaviour and target information is published on the "My Child at school" app. This is a secure and personal portal that allows you to assess the progress of your child at any time. Invites for the portal have been issued. If there are any issues accessing the app, please report this to <u>enquiries@scarboroughutc.co.uk</u> for further assistance. Registering for the APP is vital as this is the primary method of regular communication to parents.

## Y10 & 12

Y10 and 12 return from work experience and selected students are attending GCHQ for a further experience week.

Good routine revision practice is essential throughout this period in Year 10 and 12. Students complete a number of assessments across statutory subjects and Engineering or Health Pathways, it is important that students pay due attention to coursework deadlines and revise regularly.

## Y10 and 12

Please check MCAS for updated targets, assessment data, behaviour data and attendance data. Regular revision should be in place to prepare for summer exams which begin on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022. The schedule has been emailed to all parental contacts and a paper copy will be given to students on Monday 20<sup>th</sup>.

Assessments include formal exams, class assessments, GL tests and CAT Tests. This assessment will be used to determine class setting in September.

#### Behaviour and Safety

It is important to continue the highest standards of business dress policy. Lanyards and ID cards are mandatory for safeguarding purposes, lost lanyards and cards can be replaced at reception. Please check and ensure that equipment, stationary and **scientific calculators** are in good working order.

Maintaining 100% attendance is important to ensure we can continue to support progress effectively. Students are supported through tutor time with attendance challenges. Attendance is a very important focus for all students to ensure we can support attainment throughout the summer term. A hard-working environment is vital to ensure students feel safe and make continued progress.

#### TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE

News from Systems Control this week

With our key stage 5 students, we have only had Year 13 electrical pathway students in College this week, and they successfully concluded their three units which form the electrical and electronic component of their qualification. With their adjustable power supplies completed and manufactured now, students needed to undertake fault finding and troubleshooting. With a mains-powered device the electrical aspect of this presents some safety management issues, so all units were given a portable appliance test (PAT) to ensure

they were safe, and the units were tested with lids in place, and only on the low voltage output side using oscilloscopes and multimeters. All the student-built power supplies were wholly successful which means each student will have a fantastic real-life project that they can take away with them to demonstrate their skills and technical excellence.

I've had one or two work experience students coming through the electronics workshop this week, either as part of electrical maintenance, science technician support, site management, or engineering technical support and would like to thank those students who have been polite, kind, hardworking and who have got involved in finding out about some of the work that goes on in addition to lessons.

With Year 10 and 12 resuming next week, I would like to mention that our support sessions on Monday and Wednesday's resumes for Systems Control students. With these running for the previous 4 weeks, some of the students initially asked to attend have reached their target grade, please can you encourage your child to attend if they have been asked or if you have had a text message in recent weeks saying it would very much support your child's progress were they to attend.

Have a lovely weekend. Mr. Brown

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Term ends:	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022